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Staff issues force closure of ward

A LACK of nurses is forcing health chiefs to temporarily close the rehabilitation ward at Ely's Princess of Wales Hospital.

The hospital's Welney Ward, which is where patients are rehabilitated and provided with end-of-life care, is being temporarily shut from this morning.

Cambridgeshire Community Services NHS Trust, which runs the 21-bed ward, says the decision to close it has been made due to "significant" staffing issues and that a recruitment campaign is being launched to get more staff in place.

The trust is hopeful the ward will be re-opened within the next eight weeks.

Mandy Renton, chief nurse, said the ward had been temporarily closed to new admissions since the New Year and that only 12 patients now remain.

She said: "We have been experiencing significant staffing issues on the ward in recent weeks that led to us temporarily closing the ward to new admissions in the New Year.

"Whilst staffing levels on the ward have been maintained to ensure the provision of high-quality care to the current 12 patients, the planned recruitment to two ward-based leadership posts and six nursing vacancies has not been successful.

"If the ward were to remain open we would continue to need a high proportion of temporary agency staff on the ward, which is not in line with best nursing practice.

"As a result, the trust has taken the difficult decision to temporarily close the ward with effect from 9am on Thursday, January 31, whilst a further comprehensive recruitment campaign is implemented."

Mrs Renton said a clinical review of the remaining 12 patients had been carried out to "identify the most appropriate alternative facility to meet their needs".

She said: "Planned discharges home or to residential/nursing facilities where programmes of inpatient rehabilitation are complete will continue to be implemented with the involvement of the trust's social care and therapy staff.

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Molly good show: the colourful Gog Magog Molly join many dancers to commemorate Mark Jones Day in the Ely area. More pictures and report on page 5. Picture: Richard Patterson 889851

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Historic mill is given approval for renovation

PLANS to give a derelict windmill a new lease of life have been given the green light.

East Cambridgeshire District Council's planners have approved proposals to renovate Cornwell's Mill, also known as Tower Mill, in Ely Road, Little Downham.

Mr and Mrs Rutterford and Mr and Mrs Lockwood, who live in the village, submitted plans to transform the 19th century, Grade II listed mill into a home in September last year.

The proposals also include building a four-bedroom house, which will be linked to the mill, and a three-bedroom bungalow on the site to create a mill-yard style development.

In a statement to the council, the applicants said: "The development proposed seeks to convert the mill for residential use with the erection of an environmentally-sustainable house, linked to the mill, and a second smaller house at the other end of the site.

"Cornwell's Mill is disused and in poor condition, retaining no original features and having no current purpose.

"It remains, however, a significant landmark in Little Downham and is the last remaining example in the village of what was once a familiar building form, and as such this development seeks to improve on the current situation and to preserve what is left of the mill for the future."

Giles Hughes, head of planning at the district council, said: "The application has been approved as it is broadly in accord with the policies of the Local Plan, and it represents a high quality of development that can be considered as 'sustainable'.

"The policies themselves have been sufficiently explicit to guide the submitted application so that acceptable plans and information have been provided, and an approval has been forthcoming."

Two-faced: the clock at The Cloisters tells one time on the front and a different time on the back.

Pictures: Richard Patterson 890139 /140

Time flies as town clock causes confusion

THE clock on Ely's Market Place is baffling shoppers once again.

The ticker, which hangs above the entrance to The Cloisters shopping area, is renowned for suddenly stopping.

But this time it is ticking away – it's just that each side of the clock reads a different time.

One side reads an hour faster than the other side, much to the confusion of passers-by.

Lynne Hurst, of Ely's Silver Street, said the error almost made her late for an appointment.

She said: "I looked up at the clock on the Market Square the other day and it read 1.15pm which made me rush as I had to be somewhere for 1.30pm.

"When I glanced at my watch a few moments later it read 12.20pm, which seemed to be about right as I thought I'd given myself plenty of time to get to where I wanted to be.

"It was all very confusing and I actually went back to the clock which is when I realised one side is an hour fast.

"It might sound a bit trivial but surely we should have a clock that reads the right time?"

The Cloisters is managed by Dexter Brown, a company based in Milton Keynes.

Richard Lee, a surveyor for the firm, apologised for the error.

He said: "We were not aware that the times displayed on the clock are different and we apologise for any confusion caused.

"We have a company which goes out and services the clock twice a year so we will contact them immediately.

"Hopefully it shouldn't take too long to fix, although it can't happen at the drop of a hat as they have to arrange for a cherry-picker to get onto the Market Place, however it shouldn't take too long."

Last time the clock stopped it took almost six weeks to be fixed.

Duck action plan causes outburst

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AN action plan designed to try to control Ely's troublesome ducks and geese has been slammed as "pathetic" by animal lovers.

Residents have hit out at East Cambridgeshire District Council (ECDC) chiefs for drawing up the plan, branding it "over the top" and "ridiculous".

As reported in the *Weekly News*, the authority wants to find a way to control the city's waterfowl – in particular the Muscovy ducks and the Canada geese – and hopes the new plan will work.

The council has explored many techniques over the years, including oiling Muscovy ducks' eggs to prevent the chicks from hatching – which caused uproar among local people.

The new plan includes erecting new signs in Waterside to tell people about the ducks and how not to encourage them on to the land – as well as fencing off the slipway area, beside Babylon Bridge, to make it more difficult for the waterfowl to come on to land.

The council also wants to develop an 'education plan' to help improve the health of the birds – such as providing the right food for them and discouraging people from feeding them bread and cake, which is bad for their health.

But Frank Marshall, of Ely's Davison Road, said: "This is the most pathetic thing I've heard coming from ECDC for some time.

"They're going to spend money that they can't really afford on drawing up a plan to prevent ducks from fouling footpaths?

"Don't they realise that ducks and geese can fly – putting a fence around the slipway area isn't going to stop them coming off the water – they'll simply fly over it or find another way.

"As for teaching people how to feed them properly, people will always feed ducks bread – it's happened for years and I can assure you it will carry on forever."

Julie Gray, from Queen Adelaide, added: "I'm sick of reading about the council and residents moaning about the ducks in Ely.

"They're a delight to see and they belong here. Most other cities would jump at the chance of having characteristic birds for locals and tourists to enjoy.

"Yes, they cause a bit of mess but I don't think it warrants an over the top plan like this. It's ridiculous and a waste of time and money."

A consultation with the public on the waterfowl plan will be launched later this year.

Cllr Richard Hobbs, chairman of the council's community and environment committee, said: "We know the issue of wildfowl on Ely's Riverside would create debate which is exactly why we will be asking residents what they think of our plans for the area whether they are positive or negative.

"The aim for all of us is to ensure the riverside is somewhere we can all enjoy which is why we are putting forward ideas from education to gates which have been shown to work elsewhere.

"So when the consultation begins we hope everyone will take the time to look in detail at the plans to provide considered and reasoned responses."

Patient safety is 'a priority'

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"Depending on the individual needs of the remaining patients, these patients will transfer to alternative trust facilities within the trust depending on where their individual needs can be best met.

"Where possible Welney Ward staff will transfer during this temporary closure with existing Welney patients to alternative facilities to ensure continuity of care.

"We recognise that this is an unsettling time for patients but our priority is to ensure patient safety.

"We will work closely with patients and their relatives to ensure a smooth transfer to new facilities."

Mrs Renton said the trust aimed to re-open the ward within the next six to eight weeks, subject to successful recruitment.

Coffee morning to help boost charity

A COFFEE morning is being held in Ely on Friday, February 8 to support the mental health charity, MIND.

The event will be running at Energie Fitness for Women in Buttermarket from 10am-noon.

Arsonists blamed for straw blaze

ARSON is believed to be the cause of a large straw fire in Soham.

Around 500 tonnes of straw went up in flames on land in East Fen Drove at around 9.20pm on Monday.

Two fire crews from Soham attended the blaze, although a further crew from Burwell had to be drafted in to tackle the inferno.

It took two pumps, three jets and the help of the farmer, who used a digger to split the burning bales, to extinguish the flames, which was not until around 5.50am on Tuesday.

The straw had been arranged in a U-shape, known as a 'beater', which is used to store sugar beet during the winter.

A spokeswoman for Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service said that all the sugar beet had been removed just days prior to the incident.

Anyone with information should contact police on 101 or Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555111.

Smouldering: the straw fire at Soham.

Man is bailed after robbery at store

A MAN arrested on suspicion of robbing a shop at knifepoint has been further bailed by police.

The 45-year-old man from Littleport was arrested on suspicion of robbery following an incident at the village's One Stop store, in Wisbech Road, on the afternoon of January 3.

A man entered the store and threatened members of staff with a knife before demanding cash from the till.

Cash from the till was handed over to the man and he then fled before staff were able to call police.

The amount of cash stolen is not known.

The man arrested was bailed until January 28 but a Cambridgeshire Police spokesman said his bail has been extended until March 7.

Chip shop owner lands top award

FISH and chip shop owner Mark Petrou has been honoured for his passion for the industry.

Mark, who owns numerous Petrou Brothers Fish and Chips shops in Cambridgeshire, took home the Caterway Outstanding Achievement Award at the National Fish & Chip Awards 2013.

Paul Williams, chief executive of the competition organisers, Seafish, said: "Mark really is an exceptional individual who has done so much good work within the sector.

"He has set up industry websites, resurrected trade magazines and provided both social and business focused forums where industry professionals can find support and advice.

"The list just goes on and on with Mark – a truly worthy winner."

The Petrou family have been in the fish frying trade since 1968. Frankie's Fish & Chips, based in Brae, Shetland, won the From Field to Frier Award, which was sponsored by Littleport-based firm, Isle of Ely Produce.

Dementia drive wins MP's vote

MP Jim Paice is throwing his weight behind a scheme aimed to educate people about dementia.

The South East Cambridgeshire MP has signed up to the Dementia Friends project, which is being run by the Alzheimer's Society.

Through the scheme, the charity aims to educate one million people across the UK about dementia so they can become Dementia Friends by 2015.

Mr Paice said: "I have signed up and I urge people to do the same.

"I believe that we can make life better for people with dementia and their carers. One day I am confident that research will help us to slow, stop and even prevent the condition, but for now a concerted effort to drive up diagnosis rates will start to make a real difference to people's lives."

Figures released by the society show that only 41 per cent of people living with dementia in Cambridgeshire PCT area have received a formal diagnosis. This compares with a diagnosis rate of 75 per cent in the best performing PCT, and a national average of 45 per cent.

Visit *www.dementiafriends.org.uk* for more information.

Flood forces causeway to shut down again

THE A1101 Welney Causeway has been closed again due to flooding.

Highways shut the busy route on Tuesday following guidance from the Environment Agency.

The road, which is a vital link between Welney and other fen villages and the Littleport area, was only re-opened in early January after being closed for around three months.

The closure will cause yet further issues for villagers, local businesses and commuters as it forces them to take a lengthy detour of up to 40 miles.

Police and Norfolk County Council's highways are urging motorists not to try to pass through the water while the closure is in place.

■ Campaign launched – see page 5.

Pioneering project launches in city

AN innovative project launched in Ely which uses dogs to help the unemployed back to work is to start in Cambridge.

The Take the Lead programme, led by the East Cambridgeshire-based K9 Project, was launched last year.

The scheme is now being run in Cambridge. It was launched on Monday.

The programme sees unemployed people being taught interview skills and CV writing.

Chris Kent, director of the K9 Project, uses her own rescue dogs to help the participants, who are referred to her by the job centre.

Chris said: "My dogs are our secret weapon – brought in to break the ice, help them practise their communication skills, increase their confidence and learn more about body language."

Call Chris on 07990 504994, visit *www.k9project.co.uk* or search K9 Project on Facebook.

Hundreds attend Palace opening by royal guest

HRH The Duke of Gloucester was in Ely on Friday to formally open the Old Bishop's Palace.

The duke was invited by King's Ely to open the palace, on Palace Green.

Hundreds of people attended a service at Ely Cathedral to celebrate the opening, which was followed by tours of the palace.

The duke also unveiled a plaque.

King's Ely acquired the palace in 2010 after taking over the lease from the Sue Ryder charity, thanks to a bumper anonymous donation.

The school turned the 15th century palace into a sixth-form centre, which has been in use since last year.

Head teacher Sue Freestone said: "We have waited a very long time for this occasion, which marks a defining moment in the history of King's Ely.

"The restoration and refurbishment of the Old Palace has allowed us to demonstrate the school's respect for tradition and honour for the past while embracing innovation in providing for the future.

"We are grateful and delighted that HRH The Duke of Gloucester has officially opened the Old Palace and helped us to celebrate a new beginning in the life of this ancient school."

The palace was built by Bishop Alcock in the 15th century and was once part of a much larger complex of buildings including a now-demolished great hall.

It was turned into a prison for Catholics by Queen Elizabeth I, and later, Oliver Cromwell's soldiers ripped the lead roof off the building to make shot.

In 1940 the palace became a Red Cross hospital and, after the Second World War, it was used as a school for disabled children.

From 1983 until it was acquired by King's Ely, the palace was a Sue Ryder care home.

Big day: the Duke of Gloucester with King's head teacher Sue Freestone. Inset, pupil David Bercow, 17.

Pictures: Richard Patterson 889719/889718

Plans sent to council for wind turbine

A WIND turbine could be erected near a pumping station in Littleport.

East Cambridgeshire District Council has received a planning application for an 18m turbine to be built at Wood Fen Pumping Station, located off Ely Road.

The applicants are GrandSam Investments Ltd, on behalf of the Water Drainage Board.

The applicants say the turbine will enable them to lower their carbon emissions and energy bills.

In a statement to the council, they said: "The turbine has been sited a significant distance from residential properties to ensure that there are no issues associated with noise, shadow flicker or safety.

"Although the turbine will be visible from nearby public highways, and some points along nearby public footpaths, this does not render the scheme demonstrably harmful.

"This proposal should be viewed as a piece of modern renewable technology in a largely agricultural area that will, in the long term, help maintain the viability of the landscape by reducing carbon emissions."

It is hoped the turbine would save approximately 15 tonnes of carbon per year.

Householders set for 2% hike in tax

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EAST Cambridgeshire residents are facing a 2 per cent rise in council tax.

East Cambridgeshire District Council (ECDC) announced its budget proposals for 2013/14 on Tuesday.

The hike equates to an increase of 5p per week for the average band D property in the district – or £2.79 in the whole year.

Peter Moakes, council leader, says increasing council tax will prevent his authority from cutting further services or funding.

He said: "Three years ago the district council faced some incredibly tough choices.

"We had to make a number of difficult decisions which affected the lives of many, so strained were our resources.

"The plans which were put in place created the foundations for the strong financial situation in which we now find ourselves.

"We are not complacent – for we know the ongoing struggle local authorities face but I am encouraged that instead of debating cuts, we are talking about investing in services."

The council is now in its third year of a medium-term financial strategy which is set to save the council more than £2 million by 2015.

Last year, the authority increased council tax by almost 3 per cent after rejecting the Government's offer of a council tax freeze grant.

Cllr Moakes said the council will be looking at numerous ways to help residents in the next financial year, including setting up community land trusts, forming apprenticeship opportunities and trying even harder to tackle homelessness.

He said: "Alongside discussions of our council tax base, we will also be looking at a range of options to help our residents.

"From allocating thousands of pounds to develop an apprenticeship scheme to investing in community land trusts, we want to help the young, the vulnerable and the elderly.

"This is why we will also be considering measures to tackle the significant issues we face with housing through out the district."

The proposals drawn up by the finance and governance committee will now go to full council in February, to be discussed by all members.

Police in witness appeal after assault outside pub

A MAN has been arrested in connection with an assault outside a pub in the early hours.

Three men were assaulted outside the Townhouse pub in Market Street, Ely, at around 1.25am last Saturday.

The incident followed an earlier altercation in the pub which resulted in a man being ejected.

The men, who are in their 20s, were leaving the pub when the attacker approached and assaulted them.

He was held back and then walked off.

The victims were not seriously hurt.

DC Paul Atkinson, who is investigating, said: "It was closing time so there would have been people inside and outside the pub who would have seen what happened.

"I am appealing for those people to get in touch."

A 27-year-old man from Ely has been arrested in connection with the incident and released on bail to return on March 15.

Anyone with information should contact DC Atkinson on 101 or Crimestoppers on 0800 555111.

Company in bid to build homes

A PROPERTY in Littleport could be demolished to make way for two new ones.

Soham-based developers Buckingham and Sparrow want to bulldoze 6, Upton Lane, a detached single-storey property, and build two two-storey, four-bedroom, detached dwellings on the land.

A planning application has been submitted to East Cambridgeshire District Council and a decision could be made within eight weeks.

To have your say, visit *www.eastcambs.gov.uk.*

Bungalow plan

A BUNGALOW could be built in Witchford.

Mr N Youngman, of Aldreth Road, Haddenham, has applied to East Cambridgeshire District Council for planning permission to build the property on land west of 22, Sutton Road, Witchford.

Tax advice offered

BUSINESSES are being given the chance to learn more about major changes in PAYE and company pensions.

Ely-based accountants and business advisers Whiting & Partners are holding a seminar to help local employers get to grips with the changes.

The free seminar is being held from 8.30-11am on Friday, February 8 at the firm's office in George Court, Bartholomew's Walk. For more information or to book a place, call Kelly Brown on (01353) 662595 or visit *www.whitingandpartners.co.uk*

On mend: the male swan, centre, will soon be ready to be released back onto the River Great Ouse. CP

Rescued swan recovers

A SWAN is on the road to recovery after undergoing a life-saving operation.

The male swan was rescued by the RSPCA earlier this month from the River Great Ouse at Littleport, close to the Swan on the River restaurant.

A member of the public spotted the bird had a fishing hook wedged in its beak and that the fishing line attached had become entwined around its mouth and neck.

After numerous failed attempts to entice the swan close to them with food, RSPCA inspectors decided to take to the river on a boat and managed to catch the bird.

The bird was taken to the RSPCA East Winch Wildlife Centre in Norfolk where it is now making a speedy recovery.

A spokeswoman for the RSPCA said: "If nobody had spotted the line around the swan's neck it would have died a long, slow death.

"The bird was x-rayed at East Winch and the hook and line were removed.

"It is making a very speedy recovery and we hope to be able to release it back onto the Great Ouse soon.

"This is happening to swans up and down the country on a regular basis and it is all because of careless fishermen. Anglers need to make sure they discard their equipment properly to prevent it from harming wildlife."

'Speak up' over parking charges

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A COUNCIL'S former business champion is urging residents to speak up over controversial car parking charge plans for Ely.

City-based businessman Ron Bradney is a former councillor and economics champion at East Cambs District Council.

In a letter to the *Weekly News*, Mr Bradney, who stood down from the council ahead of last year's elections, says the district council and City of Ely Council are only planning to introduce charges to raise cash.

He said: "I get the feeling that East Cambs councillors are under the misapprehension that the car parks are full of wealthy visitors who will not even notice the parking fees and actually expect to pay.

"OK, there are a few expensive cars in Ely's car parks but they are few and far between. I assume the charges will be insignificant to these drivers.

"The only thing that has been explored is how much money can be raised from imposing the charges, not what the alternatives are if the charges could not be imposed."

Have your say: Ron Bradney is appealing to residents.

As reported in the *Weekly News*, the plan is to now allow people to park in Ely's short-stay car parks free for the first hour.

For two hours, the charge would be 70p, £1 for three hours and £1.50 for four.

In long-stay car parks, an all-day ticket would be £2.50 or people could buy a weekly ticket for £5. In the evenings, from 6pm to 8am the next day, parking in all of Ely's car parks would remain free.

The charges would apply for weekdays and at weekends.

Campaigners and Ely Traders' Association are in uproar over the scheme, saying it will have a "devastating effect" on the city centre, especially with a new out-of-town retail development planned for Angel Drove.

If approved the scheme could roll out from July.

In a joint response to Mr Bradney, district council leader Peter Moakes and Ely's mayor, Will Burton, said the proposed scheme would create a "fair and straightforward system for the city".

It added: "A recent national report, *Rethink Parking in the High Street*, summarises there was no conclusive evidence that parking charges are influencing the decline of high streets or town centres."

Comment on the proposed scheme via the consultation either online at *www.eastcambs.gov.uk* or by collecting copies of the consultation at public buildings throughout East Cambridgeshire.

What do you think? Email your letters to: editorial@elyweeklynews.co.uk

Drink-drive man gets ban from roads

A BMW driver who went from Manchester to Wilburton while he was over the drink-drive limit has been taken off the road.

A motorist driving behind Allister Hughes in Wilburton had called police to say he was concerned about the state of the driver of the BMW 5 series, magistrates in Cambridge heard last Wednesday.

Angela Sassoli, prosecuting, said Hughes had been spotted at about 9.15am on November 21 "generally driving badly".

The court heard the 44-year-old of Hanging Birch, Middleton, Manchester, had been arrested at the scene after providing a positive drink-drive reading.

Another test revealed he had 99 milligrams of alcohol in 100 millilitres of blood. The legal limit is 80 milligrams.

Hughes, who represented himself, said he had set off from Manchester early that morning to conduct interviews in Ipswich and had been drinking the night before.

He said his erratic driving was mainly due to tiredness. He added: "But I do freely admit I was drinking excessively the night before."

Magistrate Derek Manning disqualified Hughes from driving for 12 months, fined him £500, ordered him to pay costs of £85, a £50 victim surcharge and offered him the drink-driving rehabilitation course.

Pyjama party: storyteller Annabel Reddick and pupils from Busy Fingers Pre-School in Little Downham.

Picture: Richard Patterson 889505

Bedtime stories for youngsters

IT might have been nearing bedtime but children in Little Downham went back to pre-school instead of going up to their rooms.

Busy Fingers Pre-school, in Main Street, held a special Bedtime Read event last Thursday.

When the clock struck 6pm, youngsters returned to the pre-school in their pyjamas and dressing gowns and enjoyed some storytelling and a puppet show.

Annabel Reddick, from Burrows Bookshop in Ely, ran the event free of charge, enabling the pre-school to raise some much-needed funds.

Once the storytelling and puppet show had finished, the youngsters were then served warm milk and homemade biscuits.

Ainsley Grant, a pre-school committee member who organised the event, said: "The children absolutely loved the bedtime read.

"We've been holding it for three years now and Annabel donates her time free of charge every year, which we are extremely grateful for.

"We managed to raise £95 for the pre-school which is great, although the emphasis is very much on holding a fun event for the children to enjoy."

Retirements lead to call for new helpers

A CHARITY is seeking more volunteers as two of its dedicated helpers are retiring.

Barbara and Chris Seekings, from Ely, who have helped CAMTAD, the Campaign for Tackling Acquired Deafness, for years, are retiring.

The charity supports people across the county who are hard of hearing and it runs two monthly hearing help sessions at the Princess of Wales Hospital in Ely and at Ely Methodist Church.

The sessions enable NHS hearing aid users to get help with hearing aid maintenance and free batteries.

CAMTAD's director Frances Dewhurst said: "They will both be very much missed by everyone at CAMTAD and the people who use our services. We are looking for new volunteers to replace them and join the friendly teams."

CAMTAD is running a training course at the end of February. For more information, call (01223) 416141 or email *admin@camtadcambs.org.uk.*

Woman badly injured as four vehicles crash

A WOMAN suffered serious injuries after her car was involved in a four-vehicle collision near Ely.

The accident happened on the A142 at Barway at around 8.25pm on Monday. Police, the fire service and paramedics attended.

One motorist had to be released from a vehicle using specialist cutting equipment and according to the fire service, three casualties were treated by paramedics.

A spokesman for Cambridgeshire Police said that one woman suffered serious injuries.

The road was closed until 10.10pm.

Bid to extend yard

A SHOWMAN'S yard in Soham could be extended to cater for a growing family.

Bradley Thurston, of Dolver Farm, Long Dolver Drove, wants to change the use of an area of land at his existing yard so that the facilities there can be extended.

The decision lies with planners at East Cambridgeshire District Council. To have your say, visit *www.eastcambs.gov.uk*

Villagers' views sought

SUTTON residents are being given the chance to have a say about the village's conservation area.

Members of East Cambridgeshire District Council's development and transport committee have agreed to officers' requests to review the current boundaries in Sutton. A public consultation will be held next month for local people to have their say.

With the village's existing conservation area drawn quite tightly around the High Street, the consultation will look to hear what residents have to say about the boundary and whether any changes should be made. For more information, call Lorraine Brown on (01353) 665555 or visit *www.eastcambs.gov.uk.*

Ritual: Chris Last has a ginger wine off a spoon provided by Michelle Lillywhite and Velta Bull. Above right, two of the many dancers and, below, Michael Czarnobaj of Mepal Molly.

Pictures: Richard Patterson 889846/889847

Colourful dancers in step with tradition

BELLS, handkerchiefs and dazzlingly painted faces brightened up the Ely area on Saturday.

It was the Mark Jones Day of Molly Dance and dancers from across the country descended on the city.

Eleven dance sides performed, with celebrations kicking off at the Cutter Inn, in Waterside, in the morning. The troupes then moved to Little Downham where they performed at The Anchor and The Plough Inn – much to the joy of those watching.

The final performance was at The Five Miles From Anywhere Inn in Upware.

Gordon Phillips, of the Ouse Washes Molly Dance group, who was one of the organisers of the event, said: "The groups came from all over East Anglia, and other parts of the country as well.

"There were two groups from Yorkshire, who were glad to get there because they thought they'd be snowed in. They had to come early to beat the weather.

"Some of our members also went out early to sweep snow away from the streets where the dancing was taking place.

"Cambridgeshire is the home of molly dancing, which died out in the 1930s, before being revived more recently. In fact, the village of Little Downham was the last place it was performed, in 1933, before its revival."

He said the event was named after a member of the Ouse Washes dance group, who was killed in a road accident while returning home from a dance practice.

Mr Phillips said: "We have been doing the event for about 15 years, to try to provide something that the molly dance groups of England can get involved in on an annual basis.

"When Mark Jones was killed, about seven years ago, we decided to name the event after him in his honour."

See *www.ousewashes.com* for more information about the group.

Farm looking to become facility for education

SCHOOLS could soon be flocking to a farm in Soham.

There are plans to turn South Angle Farm, in Angle Common, into an educational resource.

David Woricker, from Lion Learners Educational Experiences Ltd, has applied to East Cambridgeshire District Council for planning permission to change the use of an agricultural building there to use for educational purposes.

In a statement to the council, he said: "We wish to open the farm up to visits from groups such as schools and clubs as well as provide a site for learning and training individuals, particularly targeting adults with learning disabilities.

"Access to the farm is down a well-maintained no through road that is only for access to three farms.

"We are applying for planning permission for change of use of one building from agricultural to educational.

"The building is not currently in use but has been used for storage of equipment by the previous tenant of the farm.

"The influx of visitors will be low and during social hours. We will be making no changes to the exterior of the building and inside we will be laying a floor, painting the walls and putting in tables and chairs.

"This development will provide an important educational resource for the local community and help promote the importance of farming, conservation and our countryside."

A decision on the scheme could be made within eight weeks.

To have your say, go to *www.eastcambs.gov.uk.*

Flooding prompts action call by MP

BY JORDAN DAY

Email: editorial@elyweeklynews.co.uk

AN MP has launched a campaign calling for action to prevent a busy commuter route from flooding.

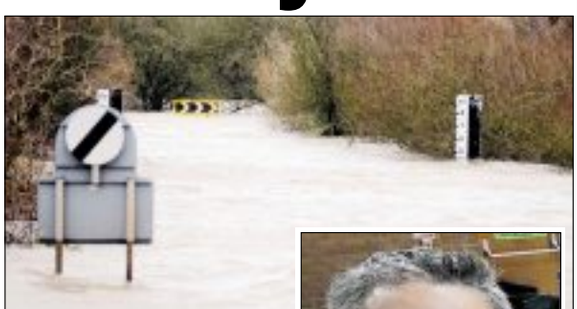
MP for North East Cambridgeshire, Steve Barclay, says flooding on the A1101 at Welney has become a "significant problem" and that something needs to be done to stop it from flooding so frequently – and for such long periods.

Mr Barclay says there a number of possibilities – including building a new road over the Welney Washes or improving flood defence measures there.

He has now tabled a series of questions to Transport Secretary, Patrick McLoughlin, asking about the cost of closure, the cost of building a new road over the washes, the cost of improved flood defence measures and the frequency of closures in recent years.

The A1101 was only re-opened recently after 46 days of closure – something which not only affects local businesses but also forces motorists to make a lengthy 40-mile detour.

Dennis Birch, landlord of the Lamb and Flag pub in Welney, is just one of many business owners who suffer, saying he loses tens of thousands of pounds in takings every time the busy route is closed.



Awash: flooding at Welney and, right, MP Steve Barclay.

Mr Barclay said: "As a local resident myself, I have been aware of these problems often needing to take a detour when I go to constituency engagements in Littleport.

"I am conscious this is a recurring problem and heavy rainfall this winter has made it more acute.

"It is unclear what the best solution would be. One option might be a new causeway but that may be prohibitively expensive.

"Another solution might be clearing out the silt, to try to mitigate the road flooding in the first place.

"We have a problem with a road that is repeatedly closed, a road that is the main access for a number of constituents who incur significant costs.

"If an analysis has been done of the problem, it would be timely to share it with the public."

Mr Barclay says he is now working closely with the Environment Agency to explore the feasibility of reducing the flood risk.

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Council figures aren't accurate

Sir, I am dismayed but not surprised to see that with the return of parking charges on the agenda. We also see the return of falsehoods and diversions to enforce this damaging proposaly.
Firstly, we have repeatedly seen the figure quoted from ECDC representatives for the annual cost of car parks as £300,000. This is simply not true. The council's accounts (freely available through their website) show the estimated net direct expenditure for this year as £137,000. The cost for each of the previous two years was also much less than £200,000. Also, with the Park & Ride scheme binned, the council are now saving an additional £20,000 on previous years.
When you consider that the markets have been generating a profit for the council of around £50,000 for the past two years (based mostly on increased stall and pitch charges which we were told were necessary) you realise that the argument of introducing parking charges to fill a hole in the finances is disingenuous. Let's not also forget the council currently hold an available reserve of around £4 million. The cost of Ely's car parks is a drop in the ocean.
The other weak argument put forward is that people who don't use the car parks shouldn't have to pay for them. Presumably the people who don't use the car parks do not wish to benefit from the income brought into Ely by tourists, shoppers and business people who do use them. Since when was the tax system structured so that you only pay for what you use anyway?
Finally, we have the new consultation document. We heard last week it was "not biased but...focused". Yes, it's focused only on the questions the council want to ask not the only question that matters – "do you support introducing parking charges?" That's because they already know the answer to that – 12,000 people say 'no'.
There's a way around it, though. If you agree with me, complete their survey, and tick 'strongly oppose' for each question and where there are comment boxes, tell them what you really think.

Daniel Block
Chapel Street
Ely

Charge visitors, not residents

Sir, Just how do the proposed parking fees leave the local residents of Ely that are still denied parking permits? Thank you Mr Cole for highlighting this issue. Short-stay only car parking charges are being mentioned for subject to change. This is not the case. As a resident of Silver Street, parking is a pain, as it is to Parade Lane and I presume Waterside residents. We have to leave Barton Road car park (near where we live and pay council tax) by 9.29 Monday to Saturday or risk a fine. With the proposed rules, we will now have to move our cars by 9am, including Sundays. Also are there any plans to change the timings for return to the same car park? I've also had it confirmed the charges will apply to Sundays, even paying £5p/w for the privilege of living in Ely. Thank you council – the first hour is free, but still an earlier move for residents with nowhere else to park other than on street with at best just an hour's stay. Why is it so difficult for the council to understand that it should be visitors and not residents or workers of Ely that are charged to park.
And half of the old Hereward/council car parking area in Barton Road car park that was used exclusively by their employees (for which they paid nothing) has been leased for the use of the new hotel. Did I miss this consultation? And why has it already been cordoned off?
If Silver Street 'one-hour' bays became resident only then that would accommodate one car/one household for their use only and stop nudging out spaces that should be rightly used by Barton Road residents.

S Jones
Grumpy of Silver Street
Ely

It's all white: Julie Ingle, from Little Thetford, came face to face with this snowy duck on Histon village green during the wintry weather.

Protesters are not idiots

Sir, I would like to respond to comments made by S A Branagh who denigrates individuals with differing opinions to present her/his view in the final sentence that the parking proposal " .. is the most reasonable and fairest way for a wanted service to be paid for".
With regard to the parking consultation document, it seemed to me to have many shortcomings and creates the impression that this issue has been thought out on the back of an envelope. In order to make an intelligent contribution to the process I had expected to find details concerning the setting up and running costs of the scheme with realistic projections of income. As a scientist I look at issues based on facts and logic, not emotive arguments and we have very few facts on this issue other than reviewing experiences in other places.
The council clearly see this as a long-term money raiser and despite the initial volume of objections seem to be going through the motions of 'listening and consulting' and, as often happens, then doing largely what they wanted to do in the first place. I have not read any detailed response by councillors to many of the issues people initially raised.
In other places in recent years we have seen excessive increases in parking charges, seemingly every few months as councils seek more income – for example in Cambridge and Bury St Edmunds. The evidence is that these charges deter people from visiting and local trade suffers, so surely the same will happen in Ely. Therefore, projected income from parking based on current use is likely to be optimistic. Ely traders currently have an advantage that people using the car parks have the time to look around and possibly make purchases they had not intended to as well as support the large number of coffee shops. With the payment system I am sure the same pattern as in other places will happen – many people will look to complete their shopping within the free hour and make fewer visits to the city, to the detriment of local traders. What is the loss of income to the council when a local business closes and premises are left empty?
I would say to S A Branagh that people who oppose car parking charges are not idiots – they have valid views and it is quite clear that the council have not presented a detailed factual case to convince them on this issue. Probably as they see no need to do so as they are going ahead with charging regardless.

T Hayes
Ely

Bad publicity on duck problem

Sir, Jordan Day's article (*Weekly News*, January 24) makes interesting reading.
I am amazed that some folk locally feel that the Canada geese and Muscovy ducks are a scourge and an inconvenience and spoil the Waterside. Surely anyone in their right mind would be properly clothed when walking near water and wildfowl and avoid any problems?
As a daily visitor to the area I expect my footwear to get dirty and dress accordingly.
Before anyone goes to extremes it might be an idea if they consult the internet on the law – it is quite fair for people holding opposite views and is good reading.
As for the ducks, the following site gives excellent information *En.Wikipedia.org/wiki/Muscovy_Duck* ..... I have gained a section which gives our city some unfortunate publicity.
"Often, the drake will stay in close contact with the brood for several weeks.
The male will walk with the young during their normal travels in search for food, providing protection. Anecdotal evidence from East Anglia, UK suggests that, in response to different environmental conditions, other adults assist in protecting chicks and providing warmth at night. It has been suggested that this is in response to local efforts to cull the eggs, which has led to an atypical distribution of males and females as well as young and mature birds.
"A small population of Muscovy ducks can also be found in Ely, Cambridgeshire, and in Lincoln, Lincolnshire UK, where they are considered a pest and culled by the local council."
How embarrassing for the people of Ely and Lincoln?

Graham Jones
Windmill Close
Ely

Experience but without expense

Sir, Congratulations to ADeC and everyone involved in the National Theatre's performance of *The Magistrate* which was screened live at Ely Cinema. What a terrific evening.
The applause at the end showed we all felt we had been part of the audience at the Olivier Theatre that night.
I didn't have to pay to travel to London (and pay for a pre-show meal). My ticket cost £13 and I was able to walk to The Maltings and get home in time for the 10 o'clock news.
That's what I call an entertainment bargain. I'm off to Burrows Bookshop to book for the next National Theatre Live on March 21 when Frances de la Tour stars in People, a new play by Alan Bennett.

Sally McQueen
Silver Street
Ely

Samaritan who helps elderly

Sir, On behalf of all the residents in West Drive Crescent, Soham, I would like to thank our neighbour, Michael. Throughout the cold snap, he has taken the time to go and get salt and to spread it over all the footpaths and driveways of the neighbourhood.
The majority of the residents here are elderly and thanks to him everyone has been able to get in and out of their homes safely.

Peter Johnson
West Drive Crescent
Soham

Report Blue Badge abusers

Sir, It seems to be a misconception that nothing can be done about obvious misuse of the Blue Badge. Action can be taken by any member of the pubic by reporting the incident to Cambridgeshire County Council, which is the issuing authority for Cambridgeshire.
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The person to whom the badge was issued will be contacted and asked to explain the situation, and can be fined or have the badge withdrawn.

Peter Holden
Ely

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Scheme to brighten area given approval

BY JORDAN DAY

Email: editorial@elyweeklynews.co.uk

RESIDENTS are jubilant after long-awaited plans to revamp an "intimidating" area of ground at Ely Cathedral were approved.

For years, community groups and leaders in Ely have been talking about giving Steeple Row a makeover.

The area runs alongside Cross Green on the north side of the cathedral and is flanked by the backs of shops in Ely's High Street, and their bins.

It was in March 2011 that the Ely Perspective group applied for planning permission to revitalise the area after around five years of investigations and public consultation.

And now the improvements have been given the green light by planners at East Cambridgeshire District Council.

The scheme will see new lighting being installed in the area, as well as York stone pathways, pieces of artwork and landscaping.

The group also wants to install more seating areas and build a screened area where the shops' bins can be stored out of view.

Dismal: Steeple Row, to the rear of Ely High Street. Picture: Richard Patterson 889751

Valerie Masters, of Back Hill, Ely, says the improvements will make Steeple Row a "safer" and "brighter" place to be.

She said: "I'm delighted that these plans have finally been approved.

"I'm in my 60s and I actually find Steeple Row quite an intimidating place to be at times.

"It's so dark and dismal, yet it shouldn't be as it's slap bang in the city centre and is used by lots of people to access the cathedral grounds and the shops."

Philip Eden, a former chairman of Ely Perspective, said: "Our plan has always been to completely brighten Steeple Row up as it's quite an ugly area.

"For years people have said this is an area that needs to be prioritised and this has been a lengthy, in-depth project.

"Ely Cathedral is one of Europe's most beautiful buildings and how Steeple Row is at the moment really doesn't complement it. "

The Very Revd Mark Bonney, the Dean of Ely, said: "I am delighted that these proposals have been approved.

"The cathedral has been party to conversations with Ely Perspective and others and supports the suggestions for improvement and development."

Bargains on offer at sale

GRAB a bargain at the Ely Beet Club on Saturday.

A baby and children's nearly new sale is being held at the club, in Lynn Road, from 10am-1.30pm.

Entry is 50p for adults and free for children, and there will be everything from toys to pushchairs on sale. Hot drinks will be served.

For more information, call Sarah on 07587 151703.

Homes plan

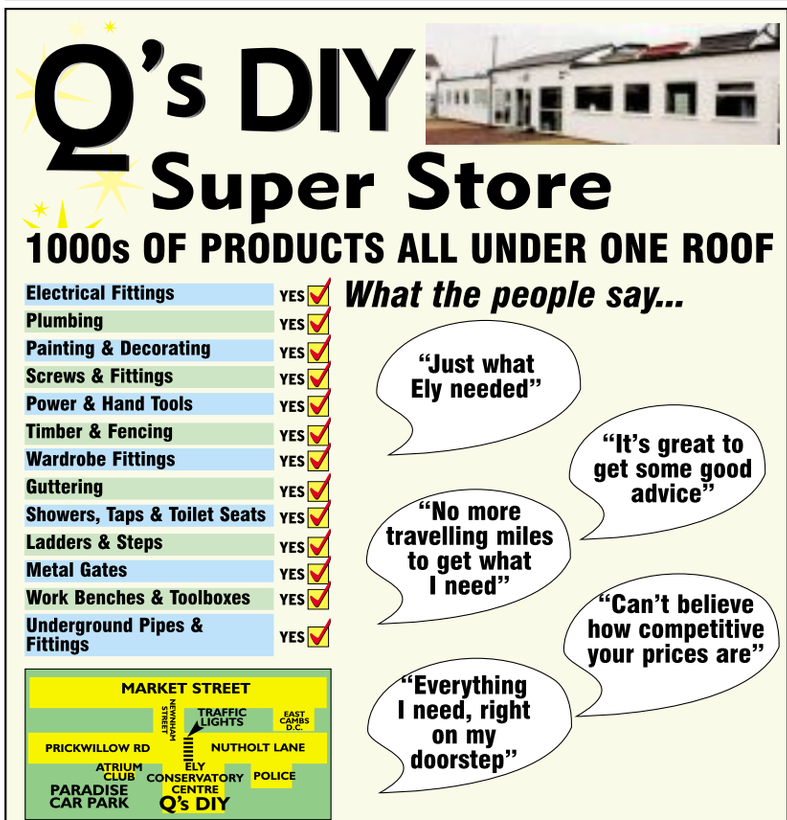
A PROPERTY in Witcham could be demolished to make way for two new ones.

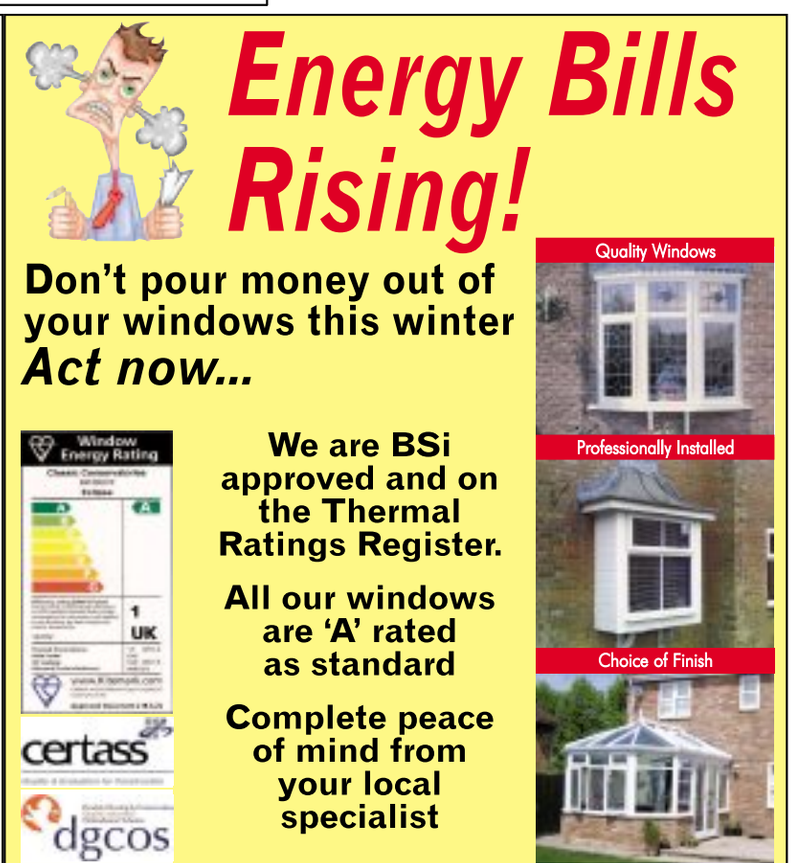
Mr J. Fitzpatrick, of Wimpole Street, Chatteris, has applied to East Cambridgeshire District Council for planning permission to demolish 7 Martins Lane, and to build two new dwellings on the land. Visit *www.eastcambs.gov.uk*

Get together

THE Ely and District branch of the University of the Third Age (U3A) meets on Tuesday.

Members meet on the first Tuesday of every month, except August, at the Countess Free Church in Chapel Street at 2.30pm. All welcome.





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Congratulations on the birth of your son
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Love from Mum, Dad, Tracy and Nana
x x x

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MONEY. Sue and the family of the late Richard of Haddenham, wish to express their sincere thanks for the cards and messages of sympathy received during their recent sad loss. A special thank you to all who attended the funeral service and gave donations in memory of Richard for Cancer Research UK which amounted to £1,275. Please accept this as the only acknowledgement.

Birthdays

BECKY RAWLING
Happy 21st Birthday
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xxx

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Happy 40th Birthday
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6th February 2013

Love you Mum,
Shannon, Tamsin, Kian and Oliver
also Joel,
Mum, Dad and Nanna Brenda
x x x

Look who's 16

RICHARD CHAPMAN

Happy 16th Birthday, 30th January, 2013.

Love from Mum, Dad and Harvey
x x x

Deaths

BUSSINGHAM. Ronald, husband of the late Monica Mary, passed away at Cottenham Court Nursing Home on Monday, 21st January, 2013, aged 96 years. Funeral service at Wilburton Baptist Chapel on Wednesday, 6th February, 2013 at 2.00pm, followed by interment in Wilburton Cemetery. Family flowers only, but donations if desired, for Cottenham Court Residents Fund may be left at the service or sent to Ely Funeral Service, 4 Tower Road, Ely. CB7 4HW.

LORD. Kenneth Roy of Hop Row, Haddenham, passed peacefully away at Arthur Rank House, Cambridge, with his family by his side on Sunday, 20th January, 2013, aged 70 years. Dearly loved husband of Marian, loving father of Marcus and Sophia, father-in-law of Lynett and Graham and dear grandad of Carrie and Ethan. Funeral service at Holy Trinity Church, Haddenham, on Thursday, 31st January, at 2.00pm, followed by interment in the Parish Cemetery. Family flowers only, donations, if desired, for Arthur Rank Hospice Charity or the Stroke Association will be gratefully received at the service or c/o A. G. Carter Funeral Director, 6 Froize End, Haddenham. Cambs, CB6 3UQ.

ROBBINS. Sheila Jennifer of Ely, passed away after a short illness, on Tuesday, 22nd January, 2013, aged 69 years. She leaves her daughter and son-in-law, grandchildren, sisters and brothers-in-law, brother, niece and nephews. Sheila was known by many and will be missed. Immediate family only at service on Thursday, 7th February, 2013 but all are welcome to celebrate Sheila's life at Ely Beet Club, Lynn Road, Ely, from 12.00noon. Family flowers only please, but donations if wished for Arthur Rank Hospice Charity may be sent c/o Abbey Funeral Service, 30 Forehill, Ely, Cambs. CB7 4AF.

RUMBELOW. Arthur of Littleport, peacefully at home, on Monday, 21st January, 2013, aged 79 years. Much loved husband of Eileen and a dear father and grandfather. Funeral service at Cambridge City Crematorium, East Chapel, on Thursday, 7th February, 2013, at 1.00pm. Family flowers only but donations if desired, for British Heart Foundation may be left at the service or sent to Ely Funeral Service, 4 Tower Road, Ely. CB7 4HW.

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Deaths

SPARROW. Alice (Maisie) of Littleport passed away at Arthur Rank Hospice on Saturday, 19th January, 2013 aged 94 years. Wife of the late Jack, loving mum of June. Funeral service at Cambridge City Crematorium on Monday, 11th February, 2013 at 12.15pm. Family flowers only, but donations for Arthur Rank Hospice Charity may be left at the service or sent to Ely Funeral Service, 4 Tower Road, Ely, CB7 4HW.

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Love always, Pat x x x

Tyrone MODEN

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Council boss reaches out to businesses

BY JORDAN DAY

Email: editorial@elyweeklynews.co.uk

SHOP and business owners in the Ely area are being invited to a special meeting.

East Cambridgeshire District Council is holding a Business Ratepayers Networking Event on Monday, February 11.

All business owners in the district are invited to attend the meeting, which will enable them to hear the authority's financial plans for the next year.

The event will explain the key projects the council is currently working on and will enable companies to speak to organisations which could help them improve their business.

Peter Moakes, district council leader, said: "Our annual business ratepayers' event is an ideal opportunity for companies to ask councillors and officers directly about how their money is spent and hear the projects and plans the authority has.

Meeting: district council leader Peter Moakes.

"Local Government has changed significantly over the last few years with less and less money to more and more things – the challenge is to ensure we work to meet the needs of our residents and businesses.

"This meeting is important because it gives people the opportunity to ask questions and the council the chance to answer them.

"To help further we have organised for a number of organisations to be present who can offer advice and guidance to any businesses to attend.

"From the local chamber of commerce to updates on the Connecting Cambridgeshire broadband campaign – we have people who can help improve your company's future prospects, so please come along."

Anglia Revenues Partnership representatives will also be on hand to discuss any business rate enquiries, as will the council's finance, business development, environmental health and town centres teams.

The event will run at the council's headquarters in Nutholt Lane, Ely, from 8-9.30am.

For more information, call (01353) 665555 or email *susan.lee@eastcambs.gov.uk.*

Concert rings up £750 funds

A FUNDRAISING campaign launched to restore a set of old handbells already has almost £1,000 in the kitty.

A concert was held at St James' Church in Stretham earlier this month to help raise money to repair the 12 bells which were cast by John Warner of London.

The bells, believed to be about 100 years old, are in such poor condition that they are virtually unusable.

The church says it will cost between £60 and £100 per bell to bring them back into use.

Once restored they will be used by the Stretham and Little Thetford Handbell Group, a new group made up of girls and boys from the 1st Little Thetford Brigade and adults from both villages.

The concert saw young musicians from the 1st Little Thetford Brigade, the Bottisham Handbell Ensemble and the Fordham Handbell Change Ringers perform and a total of £750 was raised.

Peter Binns, who organised the concert, said: "We have been overwhelmed with people's generosity and the level of support for the concert.

"The £750 it has raised takes us over halfway to our target for having our own 100-year-old set of 12 handbells restored professionally."

For more information, call Peter on (01353) 649428 or e-mail *peter@binns55.freeserve.co.uk.*

Ding dong: some of the handbells discovered at St James' Church, Stretham. CP

Play centre allowed to extend parking

A CHILDREN'S soft play centre has been given permission to increase its parking facilities.

The owners of Treetops soft play centre on Ely's Lancaster Way Business Park applied for planning permission to create 20 extra car parking spaces in November last year.

The proposals, which involve changing the use of an area of land fronting unit 14 on the site, have been given the go-ahead by East Cambridgeshire District Council.

In their proposals to the council, Adam Pickup and Carlene Bunten, who own the business, said the extra parking spaces were required to cater for the popularity of the play centre, which opened last year.

Farming show on brink of closure

BY JORDAN DAY

Email: editorial@elyweeklynews.co.uk

ONE of Cambridgeshire's oldest agricultural shows is at risk of folding.

The Littleport Show, held for more than 100 years, used to attract thousands of visitors. But in recent years organisers have struggled to pull in the crowds.

Last summer, torrential rain forced them to call off the show at the last minute, and now it may finish altogether.

Derek Timbers, one of the organisers, said: "The future of the Littleport Show does look pretty bleak.

"We were forced to call it off last year because of the rain but I'm afraid we are now on the edge of giving up completely.

"There just isn't enough support for it. An event like this takes months of hard work and preparation and we simply cannot manage it with the amount of support we're currently getting.

"We've held meeting after meeting where local people have been urged to come forward and safeguard the future of the show but still hardly anyone turns out."

Heyday: Kevin Keegan shows off his footballing skills in 1991.

The news comes just months after it was announced the Pymoor Show had folded. Its organisers also had to call off last year's show and chairman, John Pinnells, confirmed it would have been the last anyway.

Mr Pinnells said the show was started 14 years ago and developed into a major event with equipment worth about £4 million on show and 150 exhibitors.

But it had now reached the end of its run.

Mr Timbers said: "It's so sad. Events like the Littleport Show and the Pymoor Show help to put Cambridgeshire's small villages on the map.

"If they don't receive the support from locals then they can't go ahead.

"We've decided there will not be a Littleport Show this year as it quite simply isn't possible.

"We'll do all we can to try to organise another one in the future but unless more people come on board that looks highly unlikely."

If you want to help, call Mr Timbers on 07867 906026.

Art exhibition with shades of grey

TV auctioneer David Palmer's art exhibition in Ely ends on Sunday.

Mr Palmer, who lives in the city, has been showcasing many of his accumulations and artwork at the Babylon Gallery, in Waterside, in an exhibition called Black on White (with shades of grey).

The exhibition closes at 3pm and will see him not only talking about the items on display but also holding a mini auction of some of the prints still for sale.

The talk costs £3, which includes refreshments.

Visit *www.adec.org.uk* for more information.

Sessions stubbed out

FREE seminars to help people stop smoking have had to be scrapped due to a lack of interest.

Camquit, NHS Cambridgeshire's 'Stop Smoking' service, was planning to run a series of free sessions in Ely this month to help people quit the habit.

But they have had to be cancelled as not enough people expressed an interest in taking part.

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Garage plan at home

A PROPERTY in Aldreth could soon boast a new garage.

William Shepherd, of The Borough, has applied to East Cambridgeshire District Council for planning permission to build a detached garage at the front of his home.

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Hotel wins approval for upgrading

Extra rooms: the Lamb Hotel, Ely. CP

ELY'S Lamb Hotel has been given permission to build extra rooms – and become more disabled-friendly.

Bosses at Greene King applied for planning permission to create six new rooms at the hotel, in Lynn Road, in December.

The proposals have now been approved by East Cambridgeshire District Council and involve converting some of the Grade II listed hotel's ground floor function rooms into bedrooms. Two of the rooms will be for disabled guests.

In a statement to the council, Greene King described the current function room space as "very poorly utilised" and said converting them would create much-needed extra bedrooms.

In a letter to the applicants, Giles Hughes, head of planning at the district council, said: "Approval has been granted because the proposal is broadly in accord with the policies of the current development plan.

"It is considered that it would not raise any adverse issues of either visual or residential amenity, or introduce any elements detrimental to highway safety that cannot be addressed by the imposition of suitable conditions.

"The design, siting and materials have been assessed as being in accord with the character and appearance of the locality."

Concerns over care home bid

BY JORDAN DAY

Email: editorial@elyweeklynews.co.uk

A COUNCILLOR'S plans to build a new care home are causing concern among his follow members.

Littleport parish and county councillor Fred Brown unveiled plans to turn Granary Lodge, in Granary Lane, into a residential care home in December.

Former East Cambridgeshire District Council leader Mr Brown, of Parsons Lane, has applied to East Cambridgeshire District Council for planning permission to redevelop two buildings and link them with a new corridor.

If approved, the building could be used by people of all ages who require care.

But as reported in the *Weekly News,* the plans are causing controversy with locals and now Littleport Parish Council, of which Mr Brown is a member, is urging planners at the district council to reject his proposals.

Scheme: Cllr Fred Brown.

In a statement, the parish council described the proposals as "overdevelopment of the site" and said parking and access was "inadequate".

It said the scheme was a "potential fire hazard" and that emergency vehicles would struggle to reach the site, adding that it was "out of character" with the street and that there were "inadequate facilities for the number of rooms and staff required".

Residents are also objecting to the plans.

Bryan Hughes, of Wellington Street, said: "There is just not enough room for more development in this area.

"It is a dead end lane where there is no room to turn around. Vehicles have to reverse out on to the main road – it is an accident waiting to happen."

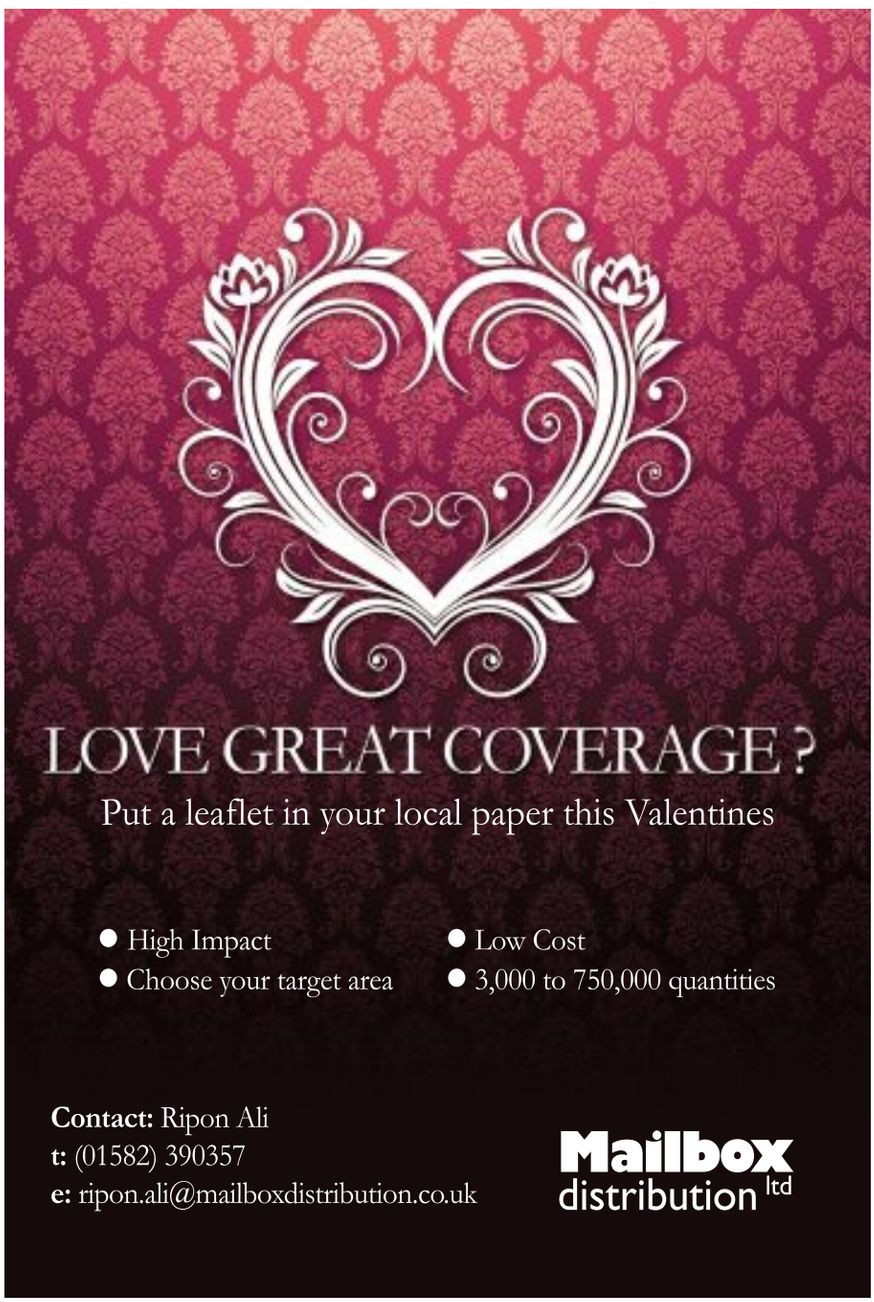
Nigel Reynolds, of Hitches Street, added: "This area already has access problems and parking problems.

"Although it seems parking will be provided, the concern is that it will not be enough, and add to the already problematic parking issues in the area."

In his application, Mr Brown said the home would have sufficient parking.

He added that the home would provide extra facilities for the elderly and jobs for wardens and staff.

The final decision lies with the district council.



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Mixed reaction to offices plans

BY JORDAN DAY

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NEWS that a listed building in Ely could be turned into council offices has sparked a mixed reaction.

Some residents are supporting the City of Ely Council's plans to turn Maltings Cottage, in Waterside, into offices while others insist the building "deserves better".

The council has applied to East Cambridgeshire District Council for permission to renovate the Grade II listed, dilapidated building to change the use of the building into offices.

If approved by the district council – which still owns the lease of the building – the city council would close its offices in Market Street and move to Waterside.

Ely's Mayor, Cllr Will Burton, says offices is the "ideal" use for the cottage, and that it would give the city council a greater presence in Ely.

But Sharon Docherty, of Broad Street, Ely, insists turning the building into offices would be a waste.

Listed: Maltings Cottage in Waterside, Ely.

She said: "Can't our local authorities come up with a more imaginative use of a building as beautiful as Maltings Cottage?

"It's a stunning, historic building in one of the nicest areas of Ely and it deserves better than simply being turned into offices.

"It should be somewhere where locals and tourists can enjoy, like a café, restaurant or shop – not just some offices for councillors."

But Melvin Carter, of Ely's Prickwillow Road, disagrees.

He said: "Hats off to the city council for pressing ahead with making the most of Maltings Cottage.

"It's stood empty for such a long time now and has been left to go to rack and ruin to be honest. It's about time it was given a new lease of life and I'd love to see the city council setting up a new base there."

Cllr Burton said the plan is to turn most of the two-storey cottage into offices, but to also have an area of retail space.

He said: "We want to turn the majority of the cottage into offices so that we can re-locate everything there from Market Street.

"We believe the increase in space and the improved location would give the city council a greater presence in Ely. We have also applied to change the use of an area of the building to retail.

"We're not sure exactly what sort of shop or business we want there yet."

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Mixed verdict to A-level reforms

BY JORDAN DAY

Email: editorial@elyweeklynews.co.uk

EDUCATION Secretary Michael Gove's contentious A-level reforms have received a mixed reaction from head teachers in Ely.

Schools, colleges and universities across the country have spoken out after Mr Gove announced he wants to stop students from taking AS-level examinations at the end of Year 12, the first year of A-levels.

He wants to bring back the old system where exams are only taken at the end of the two-year course – rather than in what he calls "bite-size" portions that can be continually retaken.

He says it will allow students to "develop a better understanding of their subject" as opposed to simply learning bits of information for exams.

Mark Sirot-Smith, director of Ely College's sixth-form centre, is worried.

He said: "Taking A-levels back to a system that rewards a student for being good at exams over their ability to apply knowledge and develop ideas is not the way forward for further education in the UK.

"It will definitely put many students off A-level study, which could once again come to be seen as the preserve of an advantaged elite.

"I find Mr Gove's assertion that the linear approach – exams after two years of study – will benefit students from disadvantaged backgrounds to be utterly risible.

"A-levels have for a long time been held in high regard and, whilst these reforms may enhance their status amongst some, I fear they will put off many capable young people whose talent will be unrecognised, unrealised and unutilised.

"I'm afraid I cannot see any positives, other than perhaps less expenditure on exam entries."

Sue Freestone, head of King's Ely, is also concerned but says she is in favour of students not having to sit as many exams.

She said: "I'm all in favour of a return to fewer examinations and more time for meaningful learning.

"However, I deplore the collateral damage to young people born of their use as political ping pong balls in the battle to win favour with voters.

"These reforms appear to have been decided without proper consultation with educators and within a timescale that precludes any opportunity to learn from carefully managed pilot schemes.

"The fact that content is to be overseen by Russell Group Universities misses the point that education is for far more than merely preparing students for the world of higher education."

Under the new system, which is due to start in September 2015, the AS-level exam will remain, but it will no longer be sat in the first year of sixth-form and will be completely separate to the full A-level.

All smiles: from left, Sue Davies, deputy manager Julie Williams and manager Hayley Rudnicki.

Picture: Richard Patterson 890145

More space for children to have fun

CHILDREN at a pre-school are reaping the benefits of having more space to play and learn.

Stepping Stones Pre-school in Littleport has moved from The Regal Community Centre to purpose-built mobile facilities at the village leisure centre.

The re-location has provided more space for the youngsters and staff, and the potential to expand.

Hayley Rudnicki, pre-school manager, said: "We've been in the new building for a couple of weeks now and it's brilliant.

"We've got so much more space and the children have settled really quickly.

"We've got two different rooms for the children to be in – one we call the quiet room and the other we call the noisy room, which is where we do things like messy play and role play.

"Not only have we got more space here but it'll also eventually be free-flow, meaning the children will be able to get much more fresh air and outdoor play."

When at The Regal, the pre-school was also located upstairs, which made it difficult for the children with disabilities.

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Mike said: "I came to Hall Ennion & Young in September. I actually started off as a court clerk at Cambridge County Court and then went on to join a leading Cambridge law firm. I've worked for law firms in Cambridge for around 25 years, which has made me realise just how different, for the better, Hall Ennion & Young is. The majority of solicitors out there have now amalgamated into huge firms which a lot of people can find quite daunting. We pride ourselves on being professional and personal, our offices and our style are not intimidating. We're friendly, informal and our clients are key – we're just here to get the job done for you."

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Getting the job done: Family executive Mike Dallas with solicitor Laura Bennett of Hall Ennion & Young Solicitors.

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House bid is submitted

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A decision could be made within eight weeks. To have your say, go to *www.eastcambs.gov.uk.*

Pair seek extension

A PROPERTY in Littleport could be extended to form a new home.

Mr and Mrs N Lawrence, of Hempfield Place, want to build a two-storey side extension on their home in order to form a new property.

A planning application has been submitted to East Cambridgeshire District Council.

Disco to help pre-school

A DISCO will be raising money for a village pre-school.

Paintbox Pre-school and After School Club is holding a family disco at the Brooklands Centre in Sutton on Saturday.

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Firm wants to expand

AN industrial unit in Soham could be expanded.

East Cambridgeshire District Council has received plans for BSC Packaging, unit 3A on The Shade Business Park to be extended by 298 square metres.

The applicant is Mr G Moore of Chatteris Road, Somersham, and a decision could be made within eight weeks.

Boiler checks for vulnerable

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Fears grow at crossing speed

BY JORDAN DAY

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MOTORISTS are behaving dangerously by speeding over a railway crossing.

Network Rail is so concerned about safety issues at the crossing in Lynn Road, Chettisham, that it wants Cambridgeshire County Council chiefs to slash the speed limit there from 60mph to 40mph.

The rail network authority and local residents say dropping the speed limit would force motorists to slow down when approaching the crossing.

Lynn Road is a busy route and is used heavily to travel between Littleport and Ely.

Beverley Galloway, who lives in Chettisham, said: "The speed limit both before and after the railway crossing in Lynn Road certainly needs to be lowered.

"The road might run through the village but it is extremely busy as so many people use it to get between Ely and Littleport instead of using the A10.

"The minute they are out of the village drivers just put their foot down and before they know it they are at the crossing.

"I don't know of any accidents there off the top of my head but it's certainly dangerous.

"I'd like to think that reducing the speed limit from 60mph to 40mph would have a positive effect and make it safer as 60mph is far too fast to be driving over a railway crossing.

"It'd be even better if the council put a speed camera up as that would certainly make drivers slow down."

A county council spokesman said the authority is looking at the 40mph proposal.

He said: "We have been asked by Network Rail to investigate extending the 40mph speed limit in Lynn Road, Chettisham, to cover the railway crossing area.

"Network Rail has agreed to fund the scheme and we have now agreed to look into it.

"We will be consulting all local residents and interested parties, such as parish councils."

A spokeswoman for Network Rail said: "Level crossings remain the single biggest risk to the safe running of the railway and we're doing all we can to make the railway safer by upgrading crossings or closing them if we can.

"This level crossing in Chettisham has high usage and we have agreed in principle with the council to lay a high-friction road surface here, but we have also proposed that the speed limit section be extended around the corner to include the crossing.

"Cambridgeshire County Council has now agreed to begin making inquiries."

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New shop is sew impressive!

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Sew Much To Do now runs workshops too

SEW Much To Do opened its doors seven weeks ago and has received a great, warm welcome.

With the invaluable feedback from customers, the range of sewing-related products and gorgeous fabrics continues to grow. The shop also now offers sewing related books and magazines, sewing machine sales and servicing, and will shortly be launching its workshop/demonstration programme.

Happy to help: Lesley Partridge in front of a selection of fabrics: the choice is amazing!

The shop, located in Ely's High Street Passage, has been designed to create a refreshing, relaxed and inspiring environment. Two recent additions include a fabulous colour wall of excellent value cottons, felts and ribbons, and a newly kitted out workshop on the first floor.

Lesley Partridge said: "Getting the workshop ready for action is 'sew' exciting for us. The reason I opened the shop in the first place was to share the passion so many of us have for sewing and to support and encourage others who may be new to it.

"We have a lovely group of workshop tutors – bringing with them experience, knowledge and real passions for their art.

"The sessions start next week and, while the programme will be added to all the time as further course dates are finalised, the initial range of courses includes: hand and machine quilting, mitred corners and quilt binding, and patchwork courses. For those looking to get more out of their sewing machine we have some workshops where they'll also be making something of their own to take away with them at the end of the session, for example a gorgeous bird/heart garland, pyjama pants or ruffle bag.

"Importantly, the workshops are designed for people of all abilities – you don't need to have any previous experience to join us. Sewing machines are expensive pieces of kit – we want to help people get more value out of them. We'll be running the workshops during the day, evening and weekends, and we'll soon have news about our 'Sew Cool' after school clubs, half-term activities and children's parties... grown-ups won't be left out though, we'll be offering hen parties too!"

As well as stocking the latest sewing equipment, Sew Much To Do has also dedicated an area of the shop to local craftspeople to sell their home-made goods.

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"The feedback has been fantastic and there are some exciting things coming up – pop in at 7 High Street Passage in Ely, or call (01353) 664000."

Workshop: Space will help develop interest.

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CATHEDRAL FESTIVAL: King's Ely is holding its music festival finalists' concert on Thursday, February 7 at Ely Cathedral at 7pm. Call (01353) 667735 for more information.

TIME TO TALK: Joan Cameron will be guest speaker at the next volunteers' coffee morning at Ely Cathedral. The event is being held at 10.30am on Wednesday.

HISTORY SPOTLIGHT: Dr Mary Chester-Kadwell will be guest speaker at the Friends of Ely Museum's next talk.
The talk, entitled Anglo-Saxon Artefacts in Ely Museum, is being held at the museum on Thursday, February 7.
The event starts at 7.30pm and non-members are welcome. Entry is £1.50 for members and £2 for non-members.

CHURCHES MEET: more than 90 members from eight of Ely's churches met at the Lighthouse Centre on Sunday, January 20 for a Renewal of Covenant Service.
This was an introduction to the week of prayer for Christian Unity and was introduced by the chair, Pastor Billy Onen.
Worship was led by members from the music group of Lighthouse Fellowship.
Prayers were offered by Fr Tony Shryane, Rev Keith Walters, Rev Alan Hulme and Pastor Giles Cornell with Sheenah Adkins and John Yates reading portions from the Bible.

COURSE LAUNCHED: a new alpha course has been launched at the Lighthouse Centre in Ely.
The weekly sessions are being held in the auditorium every Saturday at 6pm.
The course also allows non-Christians to meet Christians and talk about the basis of the Christian faith.
For more information, call John Byrne on 07711 772696 or *email info@lighthouse-ely.org.*

MARKET TIMES: the history of Cambridge's Market Hill will be discussed at the next Fenland History on Friday talk in Ely.
Mike Petty and Sarah Martin will be talking about vintage accessories and the history of Market Hill at the talk at Ely Library tomorrow.
Sarah has a range of vintage clothing accessories and is interested in the history of Market Hill, where she has a stall.
The talk starts at 10.30am and all are welcome.

Diocese has new ministry director

THE Diocese of Ely has a new director of ministry.

Canon Alyson Buxton has been appointed as the new Diocesan Director of Ministry and has been formally installed as an Honorary Canon of Ely Cathedral.

The cathedral officially welcomed Canon Buxton to the foundation at the beginning of Evensong on Saturday, January 19.

Canon Buxton was previously Rector of the South Wolds Group and Rural Dean of the Deanery of Horncastle in the Diocese of Lincoln.

Welcome: Canon Alyson Buxton with the Bishop of Ely, the Rt Rev Stephen Conway, and fellow clergy at Ely Cathedral. CP

FLOWER FOCUS: Crystal Dyball will be guest demonstrator at the City of Ely Flower Club's next meeting.
The demonstration, entitled Can you Just, is being held at Ely College's Needhams Hall on Thursday, February 7.
The event starts at 7.15pm and non-members are welcome. Call Grace Bent on (01353) 661457 for more information.

DATES FOR DONORS: a blood donor session is being held in Ely tomorrow.
The session takes place at the Ely Beet Club in Lynn Road from 1-3.15pm and then 4.30-7pm. Call 0300 123 2323 or visit *www.blood.co.uk* for more information.

JUMBLE CALL: a jumble sale is being held at the Ely Centre in West Fen Road on Saturday. It starts at 10am and will be raising money for the British Red Cross.

STUDY DAY: the Open University held a drop-in event at Ely Library yesterday.
Representatives were on hand to let people know what courses and services it offers.
A spokeswoman for the OU said: "The Open University is offering people who are thinking of studying the opportunity to be inspired by talking to tutors directly, in a relaxed and informal environment and to ask any questions they may have.
"The event at Ely Library enabled people to find out more about the more than 250 qualifications that the OU offers, what is available in the Ely area, and how study can be fitted around work and family life."
Visit *www.opennearyou.co.uk* for more information.

Littleport

COFFEE EVENT: a coffee morning is being held at St John's Methodist Church on Saturday from 9-11am.

Prickwillow

TAKE YOUR PARTNERS: enjoy country line dancing at the Hiam Sports and Social Club on Saturday.
Natalie and The Record Machine will be there and on Sunday there will be a tea dance from 2-5pm with Richard Keeling.
Call (01353) 688269 for more information.

Soham

MUSIC NIGHT: Soham Festival's next folk session is being held at the Cherry Tree public house on Monday.
It starts at 8.30pm and all are welcome to listen, sing or play along.
Call Graham Steward on (01353) 778655 for more information.

Wilburton

GONE CLUBBING: John Godber's hit comedy, *Bouncers*, is coming to Wilburton.
The award-winning Wilburton Theatre Group is staging Bouncers Remix at St Peters Hall.
Directed by Barry Star, the play will put an even funnier spin on the tale of four bouncers and life through their eyes.
Performances are being held from Thursday, February 7 to Saturday, February 9 at 7.30pm each night. Tickets are £7 and available from Wilburton Post Office or by calling (01353) 740321. The play contains strong language and sexual references.

CAFE AT CHAPEL: meet new friends at Wilburton Baptist Chapel on Sunday.
The next fellowship café church session is being held there at 10.45am.

Celebration party goes back to 40s

RESIDENTS took a step back in time to celebrate the completion of the care scheme they live in.

The second phase of Millbrook House in Lode Close, Soham, was completed in June and to celebrate, Sanctuary Care, which runs the facilities, organised a 1940s themed party for residents and staff to enjoy.

Staff donned fancy dress, there was plenty of food and music, and local dignitaries, including South East Cambridgeshire MP Jim Paice, and Soham-based Cllr Tony Parramint, chairman of East Cambridgeshire District Council, also attended.

Mr Paice said: "It was fantastic to celebrate the opening of Millbrook House 1940s-style with the new residents.

"Since the 40s life expectancy has risen by around 15 years and so schemes such as this, which allow older people to keep living independently in safe and secure environment, are going to become more and more important in the future."

Millbrook House boasts 92 flats and bungalows and has been specially designed for people over the age of 55.

It boasts onsite facilities such as a restaurant, lounge, gym, shop, hair salon, landscaped gardens and a roof terrace.

The scheme also has a dedicated on-site care team and a 24-hour emergency response service which is being provided by Sanctuary Care, part of Sanctuary Group.

The new homes, which were made available to rent or buy through shared ownership, were part-funded by the Homes and Communities Agency (HCA) and supported by East Cambridgeshire District Council.

Step back in time: Cllr Tony Parramint, Sylvia Everett, 84, James Paice MP and Joan Vail, 88; inset, Pat Hewitt, left, and Julie Chambers.
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Chorister ready to return

A FORMER Ely Cathedral chorister is returning to the city on Saturday to perform with world-famous a cappella group All the King's Men.
Josh Darley joined King's Ely Junior in 2001 and became an Ely Cathedral chorister in 2002.
He went on to study GCSEs at King's Ely Senior where he joined the Barbers – the school's own a cappella group.
He was first introduced to All the King's Men during an open day at King's College, London, in 2011, and on Saturday he will be performing with them at King's Ely's Hayward Theatre.
The group was established in 2009 at King's College, London, and after becoming Voice Festival UK champions in 2012, All the King's Men were then crowned the best all-male collegiate a cappella group in the world.
The concert in Ely starts at 7.30pm and tickets are £8 for adults and £6 for concessions.
For more information or tickets, call (01353) 653931 or email *LisaBushell@kingsely.org*.

Learn more about wildlife

CELEBRATE World Wetlands Day in Welney.
The Welney Wildfowl and Wetlands Trust (WWT) is holding a series of activities on Saturday.
From 10.45-11.30am and 1-1.45pm there are guided walks to see brown hares.
From 12-12.30pm and 3.30-4.30pm, there will be wild swan feeds with commentary and from 1.30-3.30pm there will be guides on hand in the reserve's bird hides to help people identify different species of birds.
There will also be children's activities, tours, poetry workshops and a floodlit swan feed at 6.30pm. For information, call (01353) 860711.

COMMUNITY NEWS

People in the picture

Cheque out: Rally UK organiser Clifford Clarkson, left, whose members make up the majority of the searchers, with Rotarian Mike Fox. CP

Rotarians are planning another busy year

THE Rotary Club of Ely has a number of events each year that are familiar to a large number of Ely residents.

But but perhaps it may not be obvious how much work is done.

Of course, the Ely Christmas collection is well-known and looked forward to by many, especially children, who love to come out and meet Father Christmas in the weeks before Christmas and get a sweet, an early present.

This year the weather was not ideal on many nights, with collectors getting soaked through and cold. But it is a really worthwhile task that brings many rewards.

At this same time of year, Rotary members stand or sit in the High Street or at the supermarkets in the town to receive your welcome cash, with either Father Christmas or an elf in attendance. With the street collection this year, more than £5,000 was donated for local charities.

Another big event is, of course, the Aquafest, always on the first Sunday in July, which draws crowds, some from many miles away, and is really enjoyed by everyone. But it does entail about 10 months of work by the Aquafest committee. At this event, assistance is given by the Rotary Club of Ely Hereward, whose members look after things at Jubilee Gardens.

This rotary year an antiques roadshow type of evening is on February 8. A limited number of tickets are available for this event £12 per person by calling 01353 749778.

Then there are the interesting visits planned for members and their dependants, which for several years have been well-attended. Last year a visit to Thursford Christmas Spectacular was the highlight and in previous years Rotary members have enjoyed going around Chilford Hall vineyard and Newmarket National Stud, to just name a few.

Kids Out Day is another of Ely Rotary's regular events, when coaches of youngsters from Highfield special needs school are taken to Wicksteed Park at Kettering and treated to a day out on the park's rides and given food and drink to replenish the energy they expend. Rotary Clubs from all over England fill the venue for Kids out.

Importantly, Rotary provides much fellowship among all the members and spouses and is a worthwhile charity that assists with local and overseas needs. More information is always available on the website at *www.elyrotary.co.uk*.

Cakes help hospice cause

COLOURFUL cupcakes have helped a hair salon in Ely raise much-needed funds for charity.

Simon Taylor Hairdressing in Forehill has chosen the Arthur Rank Hospice Charity as its beneficiary of the year for 2013.

And to kick-start the fundraising, Mr Taylor and his team have been holding cake sales in the salon.

He said: "This year we have nominated the Arthur Rank Hospice Charity as our charity of the year and our fundraising has got off to a fantastic start.

"We raised £68 on Christmas Eve when we dressed as elves and we held a two-day cake sale at the salon recently which raised a massive £187.

"We're all thrilled at this great start to the year and would like to thank our generous clients for their support."

The salon will be supporting the Arthur Rank Hospice throughout the year.

Let them eat cake: members of Simon Taylor Hairdressing in Forehill. CP

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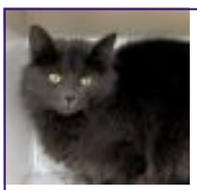
To help reduce the number of unwanted cats and kittens, Ely and District Cats Protection is continuing to run the "Neuter Your Cat for £5" campaign.

Anyone in receipt of benefits or on a low income can apply to the branch for a voucher enabling them to get their cars neutered at any of the vets in Ely or Soham for a payment of just £5. Just ring or email the branch and a voucher can be sent to you.

Cat lovers should also make a note of the date of the next Annual Pet Cat Show and Homing Day at Little Downham Village Hall on **Saturday 9 March 2013**. Full details about the show and how to enter your cat can be obtained from the branch.

Ely and District Cats Protection would like to take the opportunity to thank each of the sponsors below who have helped them to feature this page. For any enquiries about rehoming any of the beloved cats below please call 01353 699430 or email elycats@waitrose.com



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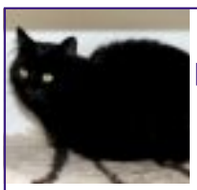

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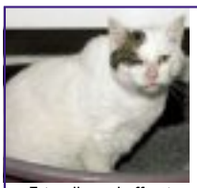

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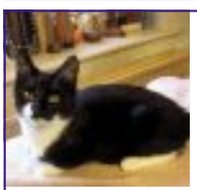

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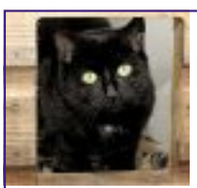

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1 year old female

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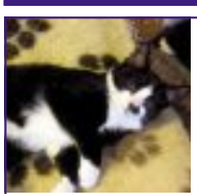

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4½ month old female

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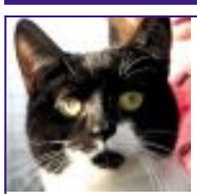

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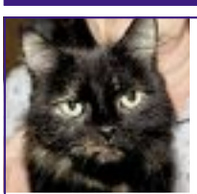

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2 year old female

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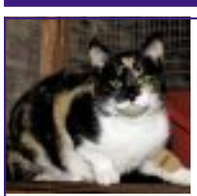

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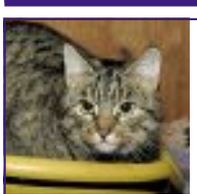

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5 year old female

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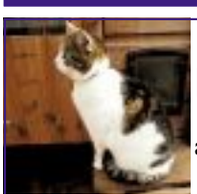

HETTY
Middle aged female

Although Hetty likes adults she has a real dislike of children. She is looking for a quiet home without children or visiting grand-children.

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2 year old female

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Bowls club lands £50k Games cash

BY JORDAN DAY

Email: editorial@elyweeklynews.co.uk

BOWLS players in Ely are celebrating.

The City of Ely Bowls Club has secured £50,000 of Olympic legacy funding from Sport England's Inspired Facilities fund.

The money will be spent on upgrading facilities at the club, in Nutholt Lane, which will not only help ensure the club's continued success at national level but also to maintain its commitment to promoting the sport in the local area.

The cash will be spent on building a new roof over the playing area and will help the club to continue its drive to build membership and to encourage players of all ages and ability to participate.

Club chairman, Brian Roberts, said: "We are delighted to have secured this investment. The support of Sport England's Inspired Facilities funding will enable the club to enjoy the security it so vitally needs for the foreseeable future.

"We are already one of the most successful clubs in the country at a competitive level but we are also committed to a long-term policy of providing a centre for indoor bowls in this area and wish to encourage all elements of the local community to experience our sport at every opportunity.

"The funding will enable us to provide a comfortable and enjoyable environment for all."

More than 1,000 sports projects across the country have now received National Lottery funding through Inspired Facilities, which is part of the £150 million Places People Play legacy programme.

Every sports facility that receives funding will carry the London 2012 Inspire mark – celebrating the link to the Games.

Sport England's chair, Richard Lewis, said: "This National Lottery investment is helping us deliver a lasting sporting legacy in Cambridgeshire from last year's successful Olympic and Paralympic Games.

"With so many clubs in East Anglia having benefitted from this fund already and building on the success of last summer, this is the legacy people want for their local community."

More communities can benefit from the fund, with a further two rounds remaining. Bids will be accepted for the fourth round of Inspired Facilities Funding from March 4.

Visit *www.sportengland.org/inspiredfacilities* for information.

Motown night boosts fund

A FUNDRAISING campaign for the Arthur Rank Hospice Charity has reached another major milestone.

Ely businessman Robert Barnes launched the Lisa Barnes Memorial Fund following the death of his wife in September 2010.

Lisa died aged 57 after a two-year battle with cancer and her final days were spent at the Arthur Rank Hospice.

In her memory, Robert set up the fund with the aim of raising £100,000 for the charity.

Now, just 26 months after it was launched, he has raised a whopping £66,500, meaning he is two-thirds of the way to achieving his goal.

All yours: Robert Barnes presents Dr Lynn Morgan, from the Arthur Rank Hospice Charity, with a cheque for £7,500. CP

The latest event was a Motown show at The Brook in Soham.

Robert said: "I can't believe how much we've raised and in such little time – it's amazing."

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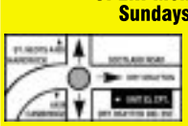

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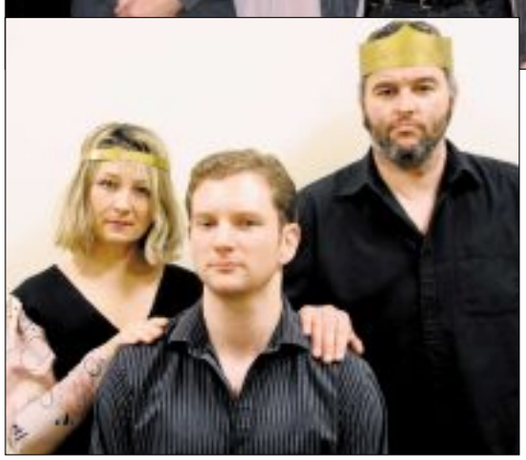

MILESTONE: members of the Ely Amateur Dramatic Society are gearing up for their 125th anniversary celebrations.

Left are Fiona Gilbert (Getrude, Queen of Denmark), Richard Dodd (Claudius King of Denmark) and Chris Hudson (Hamlet).

Hamlet to start big celebration

THEATRE lovers in the Ely area are in for a treat in 2013.

This year marks the Ely Amateur Dramatic Society's 125th anniversary, and the society is staging a feast of productions to celebrate the bumper milestone.

The celebrations kick off with a production of Shakespeare's *Hamlet* next month.

Mike Holland, director of Hamlet, said: "Our award-winning society has been presenting all genres of drama to local audiences for exactly 125 years this year.

"Our first production of 2013 is Shakespeare's drama, *Hamlet*.

"A very strong company of 20 actors is bringing this tale of murder and revenge to the stage.

"The cast includes several well-known actors whilst welcoming newcomers to the society.

"The role of Hamlet is being played by newcomer Chris Hudson, with supporting cast including Fiona Gilbert, Lisa Bushell, Richard Dodd, Doug Stuart, Douglas Nelms, Matt Harvey, Nick Timmings, Tony Ransome, Peter Clyne, David Palmer and Susan Howell."

In May, the society will be staging an 'evening of one acts' and in August, there will be a production of Peter Schaffer's drama, *Equus*.

In October, the society plans to stage the period comedy, *When we are Married*.

Hamlet is being staged at Ely College from Wednesday, February 13 to Saturday, February 16, at 7.30pm each night.

Tickets are £7 each and are available from Burrows Bookshop in High Street Passage, Ely.

Alternatively, call (01353) 669759 or email *mikejholl@yahoo.co.uk*.

FAMILY AFFAIR: Anthony Sully (Polonius), Lisa Bushell (Ophelia) and Douglas Nelms (Laertes).

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Tale with a twist

CLASSIC fairytale *Little Red Riding Hood* is coming to the village of Witchford.

The Witchford Amateur Dramatic Society (WADS) is staging the childhood favourite at Witchford Village College.

Performances are being held from today to Saturday.

A spokesman for WADS said: "Red Riding Hood WADS style, with the widowed mother, good fairy and her trainees battling against the big bad wolf who appears as a yeti to try to outwit the fairy and red riding hood, but to no avail.

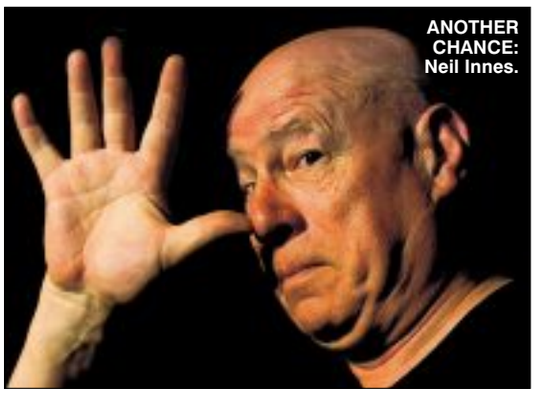
"With surely the biggest, baddest wolf in Cambridgeshire, three very large little pigs and a cast of thousands (well, about 70), this is a panto not to be missed."

Performances are being held at 7.30pm each night, plus there will be a 2.30pm matinee performance on Saturday.

Tickets are £8 for adults and £4 for children.

For tickets, visit Witchford Post Office, call Paul Mead on 07833 230132 or email *psmead@btinternet.com*

CLASSIC TALE: Witchford Amateur Dramatic Society is staging Little Red Riding Hood as its 2013 pantomime.



ANOTHER CHANCE: Neil Innes.

Right on the night?

HIT comedian Neil Innes is coming to Ely.

Renowned for his work with Monty Python, Innes will be taking to the stage at The Maltings on Saturday, February 9.

The gig, Another *Chance to Get It Right*, has been organised by Arts Development in East Cambridgeshire (ADeC).

Caroline Cawley, the organisation's marketing manager, said: "Neil Innes gets Another Chance to get it Right in his new show.

"Best known for his work with Monty Python, The Bonzo Dog Doo Dah Band and The Rutles while his TV shows for BBC2, The Innes Book of Records have become cult classics.

"Neil's solo shows tickle the emotions with a potent mix of fine musicianship and enlightened lyricism, packed with sharp observations celebrating the absurdities of modern existence."

The gig kicks off at 7.30pm.

Tickets are £14 and £12 for concessions.

For tickets or more information, call (01353) 616991 or visit *www.adec.org.uk*

Tickets can also be purchased from Burrows Bookshop in Ely's High Street Passage or from the Babylon Gallery in Waterside.

■ COUNTRY and Irish music star Shawn Cuddy is coming to Soham.

He will be hosting 'An evening of the best country and Irish music' at The Brook tomorrow.

The concert kicks off at 9pm, although a meal will be served at 7pm.

Tickets are £16 for just the concert or £28 for both the music and the meal.

On Saturday, there will also be a tribute to Cliff and the Shadows when The Twylight Shadows perform alongside comedian Perry Dennis.

The fun starts at 8pm and tickets are £7.50.

For tickets or more information about either event, call (01353) 721748 or visit *www.brookentertainment.co.uk*

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Monsters Inc. 3D (U): Sat-Sun 10am
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Cirque Du Soleil: Worlds Away [3D] (PG): Sun 2, 6.30; Tues 8
Great Expectations (12A Live): Thu 6.45

The big film

FLIGHT
certificate 15, 2h18m

DENZEL Washington soars to a new career high in this emotionally wrought character study of an airplane pilot wrestling with alcohol dependency.

Underpinned by John Gatins' intelligent script, *Flight* is a provocative drama that refuses to cast judgment on the central character as he repeats past mistakes and attempts to dodge the repercussions of his reckless actions.

Instead, director Robert Zemeckis follows the pilot on a turbulent journey of self-discovery as a major mechanical failure in the air puts his boozy lifestyle under the microscope of public scrutiny.

Captain William 'Whip' Whitaker (Washington) wakes in a plush hotel room festooned with discarded bottles and the naked body of last night's conquest – flight attendant Katerina Marquez (Nadine Velazquez).

Swigs of beer set him up for the day and he strides purposefully into the cockpit of his SouthJet flight to Atlanta while holding a bottle of orange juice spiked with vodka.

Katerina is already on board, serving passengers alongside colleague Margaret Thomason (Tamara Tunie).

But a routine flight becomes a nightmare when the airplane suddenly loses altitude and hurtles towards the ground at terrifying speed. Whitaker is forced to perform a daredevil manoeuvre to halt the rapid descent before crash-landing in a field.

A subsequent investigation by the National Transportation Safety Board, led by Ellen Block (Melissa Leo), threatens to expose the pilot's alcoholism.

Union rep Charlie Anderson (Bruce Greenwood) and attorney Hugh Lang (Don Cheadle) promise to help him survive the fallout on the proviso that he changes his self-destructive ways. Whitaker agrees to exorcise his demons, supported by a recovering heroine addict called Nicole (Kelly Reilly).

Romance blossoms but while Nicole continues to get her life back in order, he struggles to resist his desires, turning to drug dealer Harling Mays (John Goodman) to take the edge off his anxiety.

Flight boasts a jaw-dropping centrepiece crash sequence that spins an entire airplane through 360 degrees. Zemeckis orchestrates these intense scenes with skill but he is equally interested in quieter moments when Whitaker wrestles with his guilt and attempts to resist the temptations of a hotel mini bar.

Washington is riveting as a man in authority who can barely function without liquor. He lays bare insecurities and doesn't resort once to currying audience sympathy.

Reilly impresses in a pivotal supporting role and Goodman injects humour as the supplier who knows the perfect cocktail of narcotics to counteract a hangover.

Climactic scenes are gripping and we buckle up for a bumpy ride as Whitaker prepares to deliver sworn testimony at the public hearing, potentially glossing over the facts to restore a sheen to his stained reputation.

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Sudoku

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■ Last week's solutions

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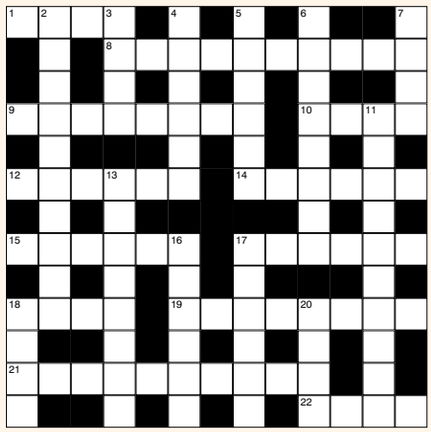

Cryptic clues

Across

1. Avails oneself of American ship round the East (4)
8. A pale copy's ruined the revelation (10)
9. The smart set will show what one is prone to use (8)
10. A man who dispenses with current measures (4)
12. About to shoot off target, showing negligence (6)
14. Part of the course where not so much is staked (6)
15. Weapon is used in a complicated plot (6)
17. Get round to make inquiries for engine component (6)
18. Unladylike party? (4)
19. Surely it contains more than a quarter of the pack (4-4)
21. The final battle for a Royal Marine, old fellow (10)
22. A bit of pigment in terra-cotta (4)

Down

2. He makes an overall plan to get artists sorted out (10)
3. Seaman found in the cellar (4)
4. Insures the bed-linen (6)
5. Virginia, the northern maid returning as a servile type (6)
6. Roundabout ways showing how examinees succeed (8)
7. Favourites walk over (4)
11. Moving parade in favour of surrender (10)
13. Altering a new order not involving fractions (8)
16. Inclined to be included in the inventory (6)
17. Works hard and makes a meal (6)
18. Blow one's mates up (4)
20. There's very little money in comic entertainment (4)

Quick clues

Across

1. Requests (4)
8. Upright (10)
9. Immaculate (8)
10. Implement (4)
12. Uproar (6)
14. Immune (6)
15. Transgressor (6)
17. Pamper (6)
18. Cherished (4)
19. Unequalled (8)
21. Ownership (10)
22. Eager (4)

Down

2. Helpful (10)
3. Close (4)
4. If not (6)
5. Chase (6)
6. Undiplomatic (8)
7. Rind (4)
11. Burdensome (10)
13. Association (8)
16. Rest (6)
17. Ascribe (6)
18. Gull (4)
20. Connect (4)

Cryptic clues Across: 7 Vault; 8 Sealant; 9 Ravioli; 10 Grief; 12 Impersonal; 15 In stitches; 18 Grout; 19 General; 21 Retsina; 22 Ernie. **Down:** 1 Overtaking; 2 Suave; 3 Otto; 4 Aspire; 5 Largesse; 6 Valiant; 11 Fall asleep; 13 Maintain; 14 Escorts; 16 Cognac; 17 Crank; 20 Noel. **Quick clues Across:** 7 Ovine; 8 Utilise; 9 Restful; 10 Arras; 12 Optimistic; 15 Manservant; 18 Noose; 19 Garnish; 21 Uncover; 22 Siren. **Down:** 1 Journeyman; 2 Tipsy; 3 Leaf; 4 Nuclei; 5 Fixation; 6 Vibrate; 11 Secondhand; 13 Preserve; 14 Invoice; 16 Vagary; 17 Fiord; 20 Rush.

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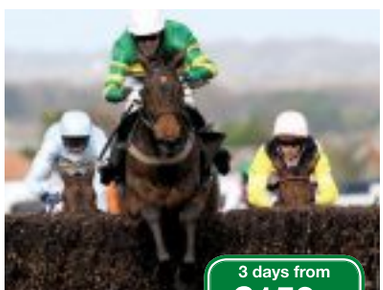

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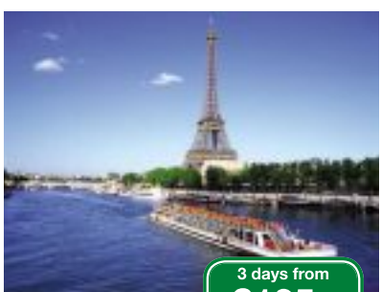

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Cold comfort for birds

GARDENING TIPS

by Hannah Stephenson

HOW long is it since you filled your bird feeder or replenished the water in your birdbath? If you haven't done it for a while, there's no time like the present.

"The sudden drop in temperatures across the UK will have been a big shock to birds' systems after spending the past couple of months with few worries in terms of food availability," says Richard James, RSPB wildlife adviser.

"Thanks to the recent mild weather, many natural food sources have been readily available and water has been easy to come by. Now the snow and ice are here birds will need all the help they can get to survive the winter."

However, the range of bird seeds, fat balls and other so-called bird-friendly items can leave gardeners baffled as to what's best for our feathered friends.

The RSPB suggests calorie-rich foods such as mixed seed, nyjer seed, fatballs, suet sprinkles, sunflower seed and good quality peanuts, as well as kitchen scraps such as mild grated cheese, rice and porridge oats.

There are different mixes for feeders and for bird tables and ground feeding.

TUCKING IN: a wide variety of seeds and mixtures – along with water – will help to make the winter chill more bearable for our feathered friends.

The better mixtures contain plenty of flaked maize, sunflower seeds and peanut granules.

Small seeds, such as millet, attract mostly house sparrows, dunnocks, finches, reed buntings and collared doves, while flaked maize is taken readily by blackbirds.

Tits and greenfinches favour peanuts and sunflower seeds. Mixes that contain chunks or whole nuts are suitable for winter feeding only.

Pinhead oatmeal is excellent for many birds. Wheat and barley grains are often included in seed mixtures, but they are really only suitable for pigeons, doves and pheasants, which feed on the ground and rapidly increase in numbers, frequently deterring the smaller species.

Avoid seed mixtures that have split peas, beans, dried rice or lentils as again only the large species can eat them dry. These are added to some cheaper seed mixes to bulk them up. Any mixture containing green or pink lumps should also be avoided as these are dog biscuit, which can only be eaten when soaked.

Don't feed the birds cooked fat from roasting tins and dishes, because the fat may have blended with meat juices which leaves a mixture prone to smearing, which is not good for the birds' feathers and is a breeding ground for bacteria, the charity warns.

Polyunsaturated margarines and vegetable oils are also unsuitable as birds need high levels of saturated fat to retain the high energy to keep warm, and soft fats can be smeared on to feathers, destroying the waterproofing qualities.

Lard and beef suet on their own are fine as they re-solidify after warming and are not as prone to bacteria breeding because they are pure fat.

Never give milk to the birds because it can result in serious stomach upsets or even death. They can, however, digest fermented dairy products such as mild grated cheese, which may attract robins, wrens and dunnocks.

If you want to give the birds coconut, only give them the fresh stuff in the shell, rinsing out any sweet coconut water before hanging it out, to stop black mildew emerging. Desiccated coconut should never be used as it can swell inside the bird, with fatal consequences.

Cooked rice without added salt can be beneficial to birds during severe winter weather, while uncooked porridge oats are fine for many bird species. You can also put out small quantities of dry breakfast cereal.

A supply of water is also essential for bathing and preening. In freezing conditions birds become more dependent on water provided in gardens, since many natural sources are frozen over.

The most effective way to keep the water in your garden from freezing is to pop in a light ball that will be moved by even a gentle breeze – a ping-pong ball is ideal.

Alternatively, pour on hot water to melt the ice to make sure the birds can get to it.

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SATURDAY

BBC1

6.00 Breakfast.
10.00 Saturday Kitchen Live.
11.30 The Good Cook.
12.00 BBC News; Regional News; Weather.
12.15 Football Focus.
1.00 Live Six Nations Rugby Union. Wales v Ireland (Kick-off 1.30pm). Coverage of the opening match of this year's championship, as the sides meet at Cardiff's Millennium Stadium.
3.30 Live Six Nations Rugby Union. England v Scotland (Kick-off 4.00pm).
5.55 BBC News; Regional News; Weather.
6.15 Pointless Celebrities. Charity edition, in which former athlete Colin Jackson teams up with his sister, Casualty actress Suzanne Packer.
7.00 Britain's Brightest. The last six contestants compete for the remaining place in next week's final.
8.00 The National Lottery: In It to Win It.
8.50 Casualty. Jordan's return to Holby reaches a dramatic climax when he is called upon to save the life of the individual responsible for his girlfriend's death.
9.40 Mrs Brown's Boys.
10.10 BBC News; Weather.
10.30 Match of the Day. highlights of today's Premier League clashes (C) National Lottery Update.
12.00 The Football League Show. 4
1.15 Weatherview.
1.20 BBC News.

BBC2

6.00 FILM: Devil's Canyon (1953).
7.30 Great British Menu. Also, 8, 8.30, 9, and 9.30.
10.00 A History of Britain by Simon Schama.
11.00 Meet the Ancestors.
11.30 Map Man.
12.00 Indian Food Made Easy. Anjum Anand shows
12.30 Mastermind.
1.00 University Challenge. Bangor University takes on the University of Durham.
1.30 Talking Pictures. A profile of actor and dancer Gene Kelly.
2.10 FILM: Anchors Aweigh (1945). Musical, starring Frank Sinatra and Gene Kelly.
4.25 Final Score.
5.30 The Great Comic Relief Bake Off. Ellie Simmonds, Kirsty Wark, Julia Bradbury and Bob Mortimer compete.
6.30 Flog It! From Stroud, Gloucestershire.
7.00 Top Gear. Damian Lewis is the Star in a Reasonably Priced Car.
8.00 Dad's Army.
8.30 Natural World: Kangaroo Dundee. Part two of two. Brolga continues to raise the three joeys he rescued in his one-room tin shack in the Outback, but one of them is seriously ill.
9.30 Howard Goodall's Story of Music. Also on BBC HD at 11pm.
10.30 QI XL.
11.15 FILM: The Good Shepherd (2006). Fact-based spy drama, with Matt Damon.
1.50 Close.

ITV1

6.00 CITV: Handy Manny.
6.10 Handy Manny.
6.25 The Hive.
6.35 The Hive.
6.40 Dino Dan. Alos, 6.55
7.05 Almost Naked Animals. Also, 7.15 and 7.30.
7.40 Matt Hatter Chronicles.
8.05 Ultimate Spider-Man.
8.30 Victorious.
9.00 Jessie.
9.25 ITV News.
9.30 The Jeremy Kyle Show USA.
10.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show USA.
11.20 Saturday Cookbook.
12.20 ITV News and Weather.
12.25 Murder, She Wrote.
1.25 Countrywise.
1.40 My Tasty Travels with Lynda Bellingham.
2.40 Dinner Date.
3.45 FILM: The Flintstones (1994).
5.30 ITV News Anglia; Weather.
5.45 ITV News and Weather.
6.00 New You've Been Framed! Top 100 Talent.
7.00 Splash!
8.30 Take Me Out.
9.45 The Jonathan Ross Show. The host chats to comedian Eddie Izzard, broadcaster and naturalist David Attenborough, stand-up-turned-actor Russell Brand and action-film star Dolph Lundgren. With music by Pulp.
10.50 ITV News and Weather;
11.05 FILM: Pride and Prejudice (2005). Period drama based on Jane Austen's novel, with Keira Knightley.
1.25 Jackpot247.

CHANNEL 4

6.05 Sali Mali.
6.10 The Hoobs. Also, 6.35.
7.05 Beach Volleyball.
8.00 The Morning Line.
9.00 Everybody Loves Raymond.
9.30 Everybody Loves Raymond.
10.00 Frasier.
10.30 Frasier.
11.00 The Big Bang Theory.
11.30 The Big Bang Theory.
12.00 The Simpsons.
12.30 Undercover Boss Australia.
1.30 Channel 4 Racing. Live coverage from Sandown Park, Ffos Las and Wetherby.
4.00 Come Dine with Me: Ireland. (T) 4.30 Come Dine with Me: Ireland. The dinner party challenge reaches Cork. Also, 5.05, 5.35, and 6.05.
6.35 Channel 4 News.
7.05 4thought.tv.
7.10 FILM: Crocodile Dundee (1986). Comedy adventure, written by and starring Paul Hogan, with Linda Kozlowski.
9.00 World Without End. Mother Cecilia sends Caris to France to petition the king, who is desperate to find a way for his army to cross the River Somme.
10.00 FILM: Along Came a Spider (2001). A congressman's daughter is kidnapped. Thriller prequel, with Morgan Freeman.
12.05 FILM: Chatroom (2010). Premiere. Thriller.
1.50 FILM: Birthday Girl (2001).

CHANNEL 5

6.00 Milkshake!: Peppa Pig. 6.05 Roary the Racing Car. 6.15 Fifi and the Flowertots. 6.25 Bert and Ernie's Great Adventures. 6.30 The Mr Men Show. 6.45 Olive the Ostrich. 6.50 Abby's Flying Fairy School. 7.00 Roobarb and Custard Too. 7.10 Bananas in Pyjamas. 7.20 Animal Antics. 7.30 Make Way for Noddy. 7.40 Mio Mao. 7.45 City of Friends. 7.55 Little Princess. 8.10 The Adventures of Bottle Top Bill and His Best Friend Corky. 8.25 Angelina Ballerina. 8.45 Rupert Bear. 9.00 Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom. 9.15 Toby's Travelling Circus. 9.30 Roary the Racing Car. 9.45 Jelly Jamm. 10.00 Power Rangers Samurai. 10.35 Batman: The Brave and the Bold. 11.10 Inside Hollywood 2013. 11.20 The Gadget Show. 12.20 Police Interceptors.
1.20 FILM: Mrs Caldicot's Cabbage War (2000). Comedy drama.
3.30 FILM: Desperate Escape (2009). Mystery thriller.
5.15 FILM: By Appointment Only (2007). Thriller.
6.50 5 News Weekend.
6.55 NCIS.
7.45 NCIS.
8.40 Law & Order.
9.40 Law & Order: Special Victims Unit.
10.40 Law & Order: Criminal Intent. New series. Part one of two.
11.35 True Crimes: The First 72 Hours.
12.05 SuperCasino.

Match of the Day
BBC1, Saturday, 10.30pm.

Pride and Prejudice
ITV1, Saturday, 11.05pm.

Top Gear
BBC2, Sunday, 8pm.

The Accused
Channel 4, Sunday, 10.50pm.

SUNDAY

BBC1

6.00 Breakfast.
7.25 Match of the Day.
9.00 The Andrew Marr Show.
10.00 The Big Questions.
11.00 Sunday Politics; (C) Weather for the Week Ahead.
12.25 Countryfile.
1.25 Call the Midwife.
2.25 Live Six Nations Rugby Union. Italy v France (Kick-off 3.00pm).
5.00 Africa. The varied wildlife of the Sahara Desert.
6.00 BBC News; Regional News; Weather.
6.30 Blandings. The tranquillity of castle life is threatened by the return of no-nonsense secretary Baxter. David Walliams and Paloma Faith guest star.
7.00 Countryfile. Includes Weather for the Week Ahead.
8.00 Call the Midwife. Jenny is seconded to a short-staffed hospital in London, but grows increasingly reluctant to carry out her duties when she finds out she is working under surgeon Mr Tracey.
9.00 Ripper Street. Reid senses something amiss when a Jewish anarchist is found dead.
10.00 BBC News; Regional News; Weather.
10.25 Match of the Day 2. Reviews of the day's Premier League action.
11.15 Room 101 – Extra Storage.
11.55 The Sky at Night.
12.15 The Celebrity Apprentice USA.

BBC2

6.00 Close.
6.50 FILM: A Walk in the Sun (1945). Second World War adventure.
8.45 Life in a Cottage Garden with Carol Klein.
9.15 A to Z of TV Gardening.
10.00 Saturday Kitchen Best Bites.
11.30 The Little Paris Kitchen: Cooking with Rachel Khoo.
12.00 EastEnders. Omnibus.
1.55 Coast. The creation of Ireland's Clew Bay.
2.10 Natural World: Kangaroo Dundee.
3.10 Natural World: Kangaroo Dundee. Part two of two.
4.10 The Great Comic Relief Bake Off. With Claudia Winkleman, Ed Byrne, Martha Kearney and Helen Glover.
5.10 Songs of Praise.
5.45 Ski Sunday. Highlights of the city-centre disciplines from Moscow.
6.30 Orbit: Earth's Extraordinary Journey.
7.30 Open All Hours.
8.00 Top Gear. The trio embark on another epic road trip, this time across western America in front-engined supercars.
9.00 Wonders of Life.
10.00 A Night with the Stars. Professor Brian Cox lectures a celebrity audience on challenging concepts in physics.
11.00 Live American Football: Super Bowl XLVII. San Francisco 49ers v Baltimore Ravens (Kick-off 11.30pm).
4.00 Close

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7.30 Almost Naked Animals.
7.40 Matt Hatter Chronicles.
8.05 Rated A for Awesome.
8.15 Rated A for Awesome.
8.30 Big Time Rush.
9.00 The Aquabats Super Show.
9.25 ITV News.
9.30 House Guest in the Sun.
10.25 60 Minute Makeover.
11.25 May the Best House Win Vive la France.
12.25 ITV News and Weather.
12.35 Dickinson's Real Deal.
1.35 Rosemary & Thyme.
2.35 You've Been Framed!
3.05 FILM: Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone (2001).
5.50 ITV News Anglia; Weather.
6.05 ITV News and Weather.
6.15 Dancing on Ice. The results are at 8.30pm.
7.45 All Star Family Fortunes.
8.30 Dancing on Ice: The Skate Off.
9.00 Mr Selfridge. Harry delights in a new car brought in for a window display, but after a confrontation with Rose, he hits rock bottom.
10.00 ITV News at Ten and Weather.
10.15 It'll Be Alright on the Night.
11.15 Anglo-Welsh Cup Rugby Union. Highlights.
12.10 The Store.

CHANNEL 4

6.10 The Hoobs. Also, 6.35.
7.05 Will & Grace.
7.30 Everybody Loves Raymond.
7.55 Everybody Loves Raymond.
8.25 Frasier.
8.55 Frasier.
9.30 Sunday Brunch.
12.05 The Big Bang Theory.
12.35 The Big Bang Theory.
1.00 The Simpsons.
1.35 The Simpsons.
2.05 FILM: Star Trek II: The Wrath of Khan (1982). Sci-fi adventure sequel.
4.20 Time Team.
5.20 Deal or No Deal.
6.20 Channel 4 News.
6.50 4thought.tv.
6.55 The Political Slot.
7.00 Come Dine with Me. A week of dinner parties in Edinburgh, featuring a stab at some Heston Blumenthal-style cooking.
8.00 The Hotel.
9.00 FILM: Source Code (2011). Premiere. A military pilot is the subject for a top secret experiment that transfers his mind into the body of a man killed in a terrorist bombing on a train, for the last eight minutes of the dead man's life. His mission is to use that time to find out who is responsible. Sci-fi thriller, starring Jake Gyllenhaal.
10.50 FILM: The Accused (1988). Drama, starring an Oscar-winning Jodie Foster and Kelly McGillis.
12.55 FILM: Rebound (2005). Sporting comedy.

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12.20 FILM: The Princess Bride (1987).
2.10 Titanic.
5.25 5 News Weekend.
5.35 FILM: The Witches (1990). Children's fantasy.
7.15 FILM: The Time Machine (2002). Sci-fi adventure.
9.00 Person of Interest.
10.00 FILM: Rambo (2008). Action sequel, directed by and starring Sylvester Stallone.
11.45 Ice Road Truckers.
12.45 How Do They Do It?

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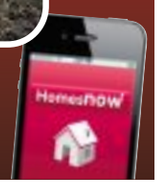

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£420,000

NEW

SOHAM

An attractive double fronted detached five bedroom modern family home enjoying a highly sought after residential location.

5 bedrooms 2 en suites, 2 bathrooms, lounge, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, double glazing, gas central heating, garage, off road parking and garden. EPC rating: C

£265,000

NEW PRICE

MEPAL

An individually designed four bedroom detached family home offering spacious accommodation and situated on a good size plot with excellent level of privacy.

4 bedrooms, shower room, bathroom, lounge, dining room, kitchen, double glazing, double garage and good size garden. EPC rating: E

£244,950

NEW PRICE

LITTLEPORT

A beautifully presented family home, situated on a good size corner plot with secure parking, just a short walk from the local schools.

4 bedrooms, en suite, bathroom, kitchen/breakfast room, utility area, lounge, garden, garage and off road parking. EPC rating: B

£189,995

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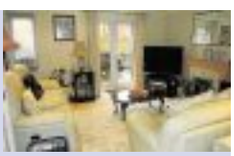

SOHAM

A well presented four bedroom end terrace family home on the outskirts of the town.

4 bedrooms, en suite, dressing area, bathroom, lounge/dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, double glazing gas central heating, single garage, off road parking, front, side and rear garden. EPC rating: C

£182,500

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NEW

SOHAM

A well presented two bedroom link detached home conveniently situated close to the heart of the village.

2 bedrooms, bathroom, cloakroom with shower enclosure, lounge, kitchen/dining room, reception hall, gas central heating, double glazed windows, garage, off road parking and garden: EPC rating: C

£169,950

NEW

ELY

A modern quarter home offering stylish and modern living, ideal for first time or investment buyers situated in the popular 'Kings Avenue' development in Ely.

2 bedrooms, bathroom, lounge/kitchen, double glazing, gas fuelled heating and off road parking. EPC rating: B

£138,950

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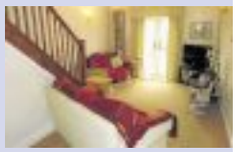

SUTTON

A well presented modern terrace house conveniently situated close to the heart of the village.

3 bedrooms, bathroom, kitchen, lounge/dining room, gas fired central heating, double glazed windows, garden, garage and off road parking. EPC rating: C

£146,950

NEW

SOHAM

A very well presented modern two bedroom semi detached property.

2 bedrooms, family bathroom, lounge, kitchen, conservatory, garage and 2 off street parking spaces. EPC rating: D

£139,950

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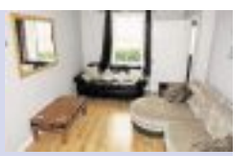

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A light and modern two bedroom ground floor apartment, located within easy reach of local amenities and the Riverside.

The accommodation comprises: communal entrance hall leading to the front door of the property. Entrance hall leading to modern kitchen, lounge/dining room, two bedrooms and a bathroom. Electric radiator heating system, double glazed windows and allocated parking. Unfurnished. Energy Rating C.

£675 PCM

LITTLEPORT

A modern four bedroom semi detached townhouse in the village of Littleport. The village offers main line railway station, local amenities and easy access to the A10.

Second floor master bedroom with en suite, three second floor bedrooms and family bathroom. Lounge/diner, kitchen and cloakroom. Gas central heating. Enclosed rear garden, double garage and parking. Unfurnished. Energy Rating C.

£750 PCM

ELY

A pleasant two bedroom end terrace property, close to St John's Primary School, local amenities and the City Centre.

The property comprises: entrance hall, cloakroom, kitchen and lounge. Two bedrooms with fitted wardrobes and bathroom. Low maintenance pebbled garden, allocated parking. Gas central heating. Unfurnished. Energy Rating C.

£650 PCM

STUNTNEY — £675 PCM

This cottage is situated in the village of Stuntey, giving easy access to the A142.

Lounge, kitchen and utility. Two bedrooms and bathroom. GCH. Front garden area with parking and rear garden. Unfurnished. Energy Rating D.

LITTLEPORT — £850 PCM

Situated on this popular development and giving easy access to the A10.

Cloakroom, utility, dining room, kitchen. Large lounge, four bedrooms and bathroom. Rear garden. Carport. Unfurnished. Energy Rating C.

ELY

A well presented four bedroom townhouse located just to the to south west of the City Centre and providing easy access to the A10.

The accommodation comprises: kitchen/diner, utility and cloakroom. First floor lounge, master bedroom with en suite shower room, three further second floor bedrooms and family bathroom. Gas central heating. enclosed rear garden. Driveway and garage. Unfurnished. Energy Rating B.

£1,000 PCM

LITTLEPORT — £1,250 PCM

A spacious family home set in a private cul de sac in this popular village.

The property comprises the following accommodation: kitchen, utility, good size lounge with feature fireplace, dining room, study and WC. Five bedrooms, en suite to master bedroom, family bathroom and family shower room. Gas central heating. Double garage. Unfurnished. Energy Rating D.

ELY

A three bedroom semi detached house in a quiet cul de sac just west of the City Centre.

The property provides: lounge/diner, kitchen and WC to the ground floor. Two double bedrooms, one with en suite, one single and bathroom to first floor. Gas central heating. Small front garden and rear garden. Garage and driveway. Energy Rating B.

£795 PCM

WITCHFORD

A neutrally decorated two bedroom mid terrace house located in the sought after village of Witchford.

The accommodation comprises: two double bedrooms with fitted wardrobes and family bathroom on the first floor. Ground floor hall, cloakroom, kitchen and lounge/diner. Gas central heating. Enclosed rear garden. Garage and parking space. Unfurnished. Energy Rating C.

£610 PCM

ELY

A good sized one bedroom mid terrace house located off Kings Avenue providing easy access to the A10.

Lounge with access to rear garden, kitchen, bedroom and bathroom. Double glazed. Electric storage heating. Small enclosed rear garden. One allocated parking space. Unfurnished. Energy Rating D.

£515 PCM

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NEW

Ely **£161,500**

A modern end of terrace home situated on a highly regarded modern development. Accommodation comprises entrance hallway, cloakroom, kitchen, lounge, 2 bedrooms, bathroom, single garage, parking and enclosed garden. The property also benefits from gas central heating and double glazing. EPR C.

NEW

Sutton **£325,000**

Charming Victorian home in a rural setting adjoining the Old Bedford River. Hall, family room, dining room opening into kitchen, steps up to sitting room, rear lobby, utility, 3 bedrooms (master with ensuite/dressing room), bathroom, driveway, timber workshop. Beautiful landscaped gardens adjoining an attractive water course. EPR E.

NEW

Ely **£229,950**

Situated in a highly regarded city location this modern family home has accommodation comprising entrance hall, cloakroom, lounge, separate dining, kitchen, 3 bedrooms, master with ensuite, bathroom, single garage, parking & enclosed garden to the rear. EPR TBC

NEW

Ely **£224,950**

A 3 bedroom detached family home built by Westbury and situated on a corner plot and offering accommodation comprising entrance hallway, cloakroom, kitchen/dining room, lounge, 3 bedrooms (master with ensuite), bathroom, single garage, driveway and enclosed garden. EPR D.

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NEW

Ely **£399,950**

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NEW

Stretham **£146,950**

A well presented modern terrace home ideally suited for first time buyers and comprising modern kitchen, spacious lounge, conservatory, 2 bedrooms, modern bathroom, driveway and garden. The property has the benefit of UPVC double glazing and is situated in a cul-de-sac location. Viewing recommended. EPR TBC.

NEW

Soham **£179,950**

A well presented modern family home situated on the edge of a new development. Includes cloakroom, lounge, kitchen/dining room, 3 bedrooms (1 ensuite), family bathroom, garden, parking & garage. EPR B.

NEW

Queen Adelaide **£144,950**

A charming terraced cottage situated in a popular hamlet on the edge of Ely and comprising lounge, separate dining room, ktichen, ground floor bathroom, 2 double garage, gardens, garage and parking for approximately 3 cars. Properties of this style are rarely available and therefore viewing is recommended. EPR TBC

Cheffins

NEW PRICE

Sutton **£145,000**

A superbly presented, deceptively spacious semi detached home in the heart of the village. Hall, lounge, refitted kitchen/dining room, gf bathroom, 2 bedrooms, 2 courtyard areas, parking, garage. EPR D.

Littleport **£129,950**

A superbly presented semi-detached home with hall, modern refitted kitchen, spacious lounge/dining room, 2 bedrooms, modern bathroom, driveway, garage & slightly larger than average rear garden. EPR D.

NEW PRICE

Little Downham **£239,950**

A well presented detached home over 3 floors ocmprising entrance hall, cloakroom, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, lounge/dining room, 4 bedrooms, bathroom, shower room, enclosed garden and 2 parking spaces. EPR C.

Ely **£200,000**

An older style detatched home close to the Paradise sports field, within walking distance of Ely Centre. Hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, ground floor shower room, cellar, 3 bedrooms. No upward chain. EPR E.

Southery **£105,000**

A well presented modern terraced home situated in the village of Southery with accommodation comprising lounge, kitchen, conservatory, 2 bedrooms, bathroom, enclosed garden and parking. EPR TBC

Soham **£184,950**

A modern 3 storey townhouse offering versatile accommodation over 3 floors. Hall, cloakroom, lounge, kitchen/dining room, 3 bedrooms (1 ensuite), bathroom, garage, parking & gardens. EPR C.

Little Downham **£199,950**

A well presented detached family home on a corner plot within a popular development with hall, lounge opening into dining room, modern spacious kitchen, 4 bedrooms, modern bathroom, driveway, garage & gardens. EPR D.

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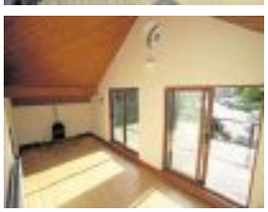

LITTLE DOWNHAM — O/A £125,000

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Available Beginning March - Unfurnished

ELY — £725 pcm

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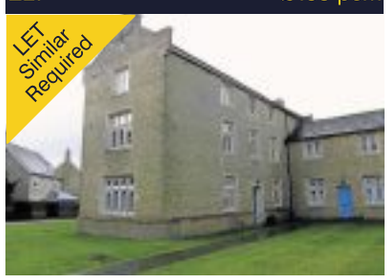

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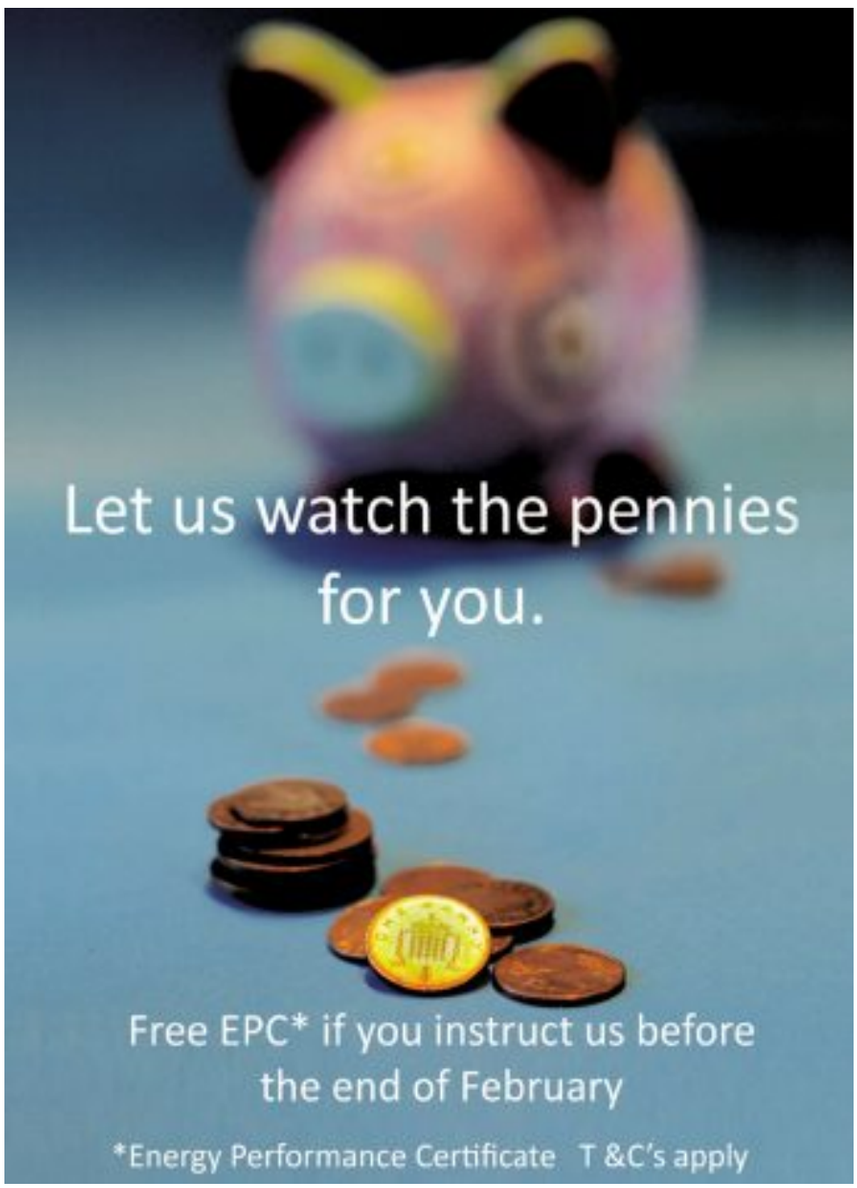

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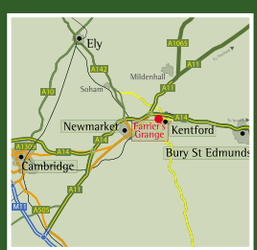

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Ely 8168
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Little Thetford 7982
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OPEN HOUSE!
Littleport

OIEO: £175,000
7878

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- Underfloor heating to g/floor
- Landscaped rear garden
- Garage and parking

WITCHFORD £239,950

NEW

- Modern detached house
- Popular residential area
- 4 bedrooms with en-suite to master
- Fitted kitchen and utility
- Lounge/dining room
- Study/ 3rd reception
- Good size garden
- Off road parking

LT DOWNHAM £385,000

- Spacious detached house
- Small cul-de-sac location
- 4 bedrooms
- En-suite to master
- Lounge, dining room and study
- Kitchen with AGA and utility
- Good size plot
- Double garage and parking

ELY £174,950

- Unusual older style property
- Excellent location for town, railway station and river
- First floor lounge with views to Ely Cathedral
- 2 ground floor bedrooms
- 2 allocated parking spaces
- No onward chain
- EPC Rating E

LITTLEPORT £169,950

- Modern semi detached house
- Improved and updated
- Spacious accommodation
- Open plan kitchen/family/dining room
- Lounge with feature fireplace
- 3 bedrooms
- Garage to the rear
- EPC Rating D

ELY £339,950

- Established detached house
- Popular residential location
- Lounge, dining room and study
- Fitted kitchen and utility
- 4 bedrooms
- En-suite to master bedroom
- Double garage and parking
- Prolific kiwi and grape vines

FRECKENHAM £295,000

- Brand new individual detached house
- Non estate location
- 3/4 bedrooms
- Well fitted kitchen
- Lounge dining room
- En-suite to master bedroom
- Groundfloor bedroom/study
- Enclosed garden and parking

WELNEY £365,000

- Established detached bungalow
- Semi rural location with open farmland to front and rear
- 3 bedrooms
- Lounge and dining room
- Kitchen breakfast room
- 1 bedroom attached annex
- Approx 3 acre plot

LITTLEPORT £127,500

- Spacious modern semi
- Ideal first purchase or investment
- 2 bedrooms
- Added conservatory
- Fitted kitchen
- Lounge
- Gas heating
- EPC Rating D

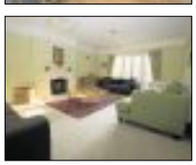
MILDENHALL £595,000

- Period detached property incorporating 2 houses
- 3 double bedrooms to main house with 2 en-suite
- 2 further bedrooms
- Spacious kitchen
- Lounge and dining room
- Further kitchen, lounge and dining room
- Four bay car port

PRICKWILLOW £125,000

- Semi rural location
- Refurbished semi
- 3 bedrooms
- Refitted kitchen/diner
- Lounge
- Shower room
- Timber garage/workshop
- No onward chain

LT DOWNHAM O.I.R.O. £675,000



- Substantial detached house
- Non estate
- 6 double bedrooms
- 3 en-suites and family bathroom
- Lounge and dining room
- Superb fitted kitchen and utility
- Family room
- Triple garage and large garden

LITTLEPORT £130,000

- Established semi bungalow
- Open views to rear
- Fitted kitchen
- 2 bedrooms
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- Early possession available

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SOHAM O.I.R.O. £140,000

- Large Period detached barn
- Planning Permission for 3 double bedrooms
- En-suite
- Lounge and dining room
- Study
- Good size kitchen
- Quiet convenient location
- A rare opportunity

ELY £465,000

- Detached individual style property
- One of only 3 properties
- Built to high specification
- Well presented throughout
- 4 bedrooms en-suite to master
- Superb fitted kitchen
- Spacious lounge dining room
- Hard landscaped manageable garden

LT DOWNHAM £215,000

* Brand new house
* Small development
* 3 bedrooms, en-suite to master
* Fitted kitchen and utility
* Lounge and dining room
* Garage and parking
* Gas heating
* Early possession available

WITCHFORD £246,950

- Detached Family Home
- 4 Bedrooms
- En suite shower to Master
- Family Bathroom
- Fitted Kitchen/Diner
- Lounge
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- Gas-fired Heating

WILBURTON £475,000

- Substantial detached house
- Highly individual non estate
- 5 reception rooms
- Well fitted kitchen with appliances
- Master bedroom with en-suite
- 3 further double bedrooms
- Detached double garage
- Good size south facing rear garden

LT THETFORD £249,950

* Substantial detached bungalow
* Non estate location
* 4 bedrooms
* 2 en-suites
* L shaped lounge dining room
* Kitchen b'fast room and utility
* Double garage and parking
* No onward chain

UPWELL GUIDE £210,000

- Former Methodist Chapel
- Open plan living/dining and kitchen on 1st floor
- 3 bedrooms
- En-suite to bedroom 1
- Central spiral staircase to first floor
- Compact garden and parking
- Internal viewing essential

LITTLEPORT £195,995

- Modern townhouse
- 4 bedrooms
- En-suite to master
- Fitted kitchen
- Lounge dining room
- Useful studio/office
- Off road parking
- Good size rear garden

STRETHAM £625,000

* Substantial detached Period style residence
* Non estate location in popular village
* 3 first floor bedrooms
* 2 further bedrooms
* Well fited kitchen with applicances
* Lounge with feature fireplace
* Double gargae with room above

ELY £485,000

- Individual and extended detached property
- Non estate location
- Kitchen and utility
- Lounge and dining room
- 6/7 bedrooms
- 3 bathrooms
- Games room
- Large rear garden and double garage and parking

WITCHAM £450,000

- Period detached residence
- Considerably improved and updated
- 5 bedrooms
- Fitted kitchen breakfast room
- Bathroom and shower room
- Lounge and dining room
- Established south facing garden
- Double garage and parking

ELY £139,950

- Modern terraced house
- In need of some updating
- Kitchen/diner
- Lounge
- 3 bedrooms
- Garage en bloc
- No onward chain
- EPC Rating D

WICKEN O.I.E.O. £125,000

- Older style semi detached cottage
- Village location overlooking the green
- 2 bedrooms
- Some updating required
- Living/dining room
- Fitted kitchen
- Enclosed rear garden
- Early possession available

MEPAL £99,950

- Semi detached bungalow
- Extremely spacious
- One double bedroom
- Fitted kitchen
- Popular village location
- Good size Front and rear gardens
- No upward chain

MEPAL £279,950

- Detached chalet bungalow
- Non estate location
- 3 first floor bedrooms
- En-suite
- Fitted kitchen dining room
- Good size lounge
- 1 groundfloor bedroom
- Ample parking and garden

LT DOWNHAM £450,000

- Individual detached house
- Non estate location in popular village
- 4 bedrooms
- En-suite to master
- Lounge and dining room
- Well fitted kitchen
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GERMAN cars are not as reliable as many people believe, according to a survey by aftermarket warranty provider Warranty Direct.

Audi, Volkswagen and BMW, including its subsidiary Mini, all performed poorly for engine failures in the past year, with Japanese engines proving by far the most reliable.

The only engines to have failed more often than Audi's in the past year were those from the now defunct MG Rover group, while Mini finished third from bottom.

BMW and Volkswagen featured seventh- and ninth-worst respectively in the powerplant scale of shame.

At the top end of the table, Japan took the plaudits as Honda and Toyota proved to be the manufacturers with the most reliable power units, with Mercedes-Benz upholding some German honour by taking third place.

Ouch: Repairs on the Range Rover Sport proved the most expensive in a Warranty Direct survey.

Warranty Direct sampled 50,000 live policies, which revealed that one in 13 MG Rover engines had big problems, while just one in 345 Honda engines had a serious issue. The engine failure rates therefore range from 7.88 per cent to 0.29 per cent.

The study also highlighted the cost of engine failures. An engine failure on a Range Rover Vogue recently led to Warranty Direct's highest claim – £12,998.46 – while one dealer quoted £14,853.60 to repair an engine on a Range Rover Sport after it failed catastrophically.

Warranty Direct managing director Duncan McClure Fisher says: "Engine failures are the biggest fear for any motorist as they're the ones that can lead to the most astronomical costs because of the parts and hours or labour required to fix them.

"The number of failures may be low compared to areas such as axle and suspension damage but engine repairs almost always result in costs reaching the thousands for motorists who aren't covered by a warranty."

■ Main picture: The 2013 Honda CR-V.

Cascada priced at £24k

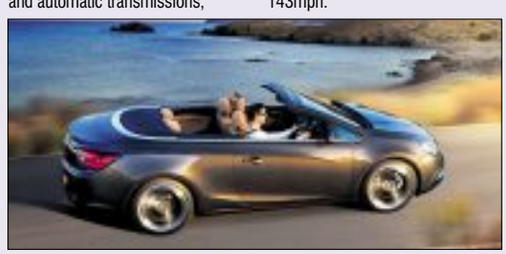
VAUXHALL'S new full-size, four-seat convertible, the Cascada, will be priced from £23,995 – nearly £8,000 less than its main rival in the premium drop-top sector – when it arrives in showrooms this April.

With the Audi A5 Cabriolet firmly in its sights, the Cascada offers affordability paired with outstanding levels of equipment, technology and luxury. It comes in two trims, with the entry level SE getting 18-inch alloy wheels, a sports chassis, LED tail lamps and aux-in/USB, all as standard. The up-level Elite includes leather trim, heated front seats and steering wheel and front fog lamps.

The Cascada will come with a broad range of powerful and efficient engines. Starting the line-up is a 1.4-litre (140PS) Turbo petrol, with a manual gearbox, achieving a combined 44.8mpg and 148g/km CO2, and a 2.0-litre (165PS) diesel engine with manual and automatic transmissions, achieving up to 54.3mpg combined and 138g/km CO2.

But the highlight of Cascada's powertrain line-up is the all-new 1.6 SIDI Turbo ECOTEC petrol engine. The first production engine from Vauxhall's MGE (Mid-Size Gasoline Engine) family, the unit offers major improvements in torque, linearity and overall efficiency. It produces a maximum 170PS from 1,650-3,200rpm and up to 280Nm of torque, giving a 0-60mph time of 9.2 seconds and top speed of 135mph.This engine will be available with a new, low-friction automatic six-speed gear-box that contributes to a combined fuel consumption of 39.2mpg and CO2 emissions of 168g/km.

A high-performance 2.0 (195PS) Bi-Turbo diesel engine with manual transmission will also be available shortly after launch. The Bi-Turbo achieves a combined 138g/km and 54.3mpg, yet accelerates from 0-60mph in just 8.9 seconds up to 143mph.



Affordable: The Vauxhall Cascada will go on sale in April.

Debut: The Rapide S.

Aston Martin introduces Rapide S

THE stunning new Aston Martin Rapide S is making its debut with yet more luxury and yet more power on offer in its quintessentially elegant four-door silhouette.

The iconic British car maker's new luxury GT has been sympathetically redesigned and painstakingly re-engineered to reassert its position as the world's most beautiful, and beautifully balanced, four-seat sports car.

Aside from the extensive design and engineering improvements, the luxurious new Rapide S – which replaces the outgoing Rapide in markets worldwide – is now even more refined thanks to a range of additions to the four-seater's sumptuous interior.

Still instantly recognisable as an Aston Martin, of course, the new Rapide S now boasts an imposing and assertive new 'face', created by virtue of the impressive and striking new full grille.

Imbuing the new car with an even more sporting, forceful demeanour, the revised front end design is matched at the back by a striking new rear deck profile which includes a more pronounced boot lid 'flip'. The aerodynamic and aesthetic upgrades both reinforce the sporting nature of new Rapide S and work to counteract lift at higher speeds.

Aston Martin chief executive officer, Dr Ulrich Bez, said: "The Rapide S is to me, without doubt, the most beautiful four-door sports car on the market today. This is, very clearly, the power of luxury in action.

"The car's stunning visual appeal is now matched by a much more powerful and yet more efficient engine – our exceptional new AM11 V12 – which increases massively both the excitement and performance potential of the Rapide S."

The new AM11 naturally-aspirated 6.0-litre V12 powerplant delivers unprecedented power and improved in-gear acceleration: power is up by 17 per cent or a massive 81PS from 477PS at 6,000rpm to a now very substantial 558PS at 6,750rpm.

Peak torque increases, too, up from 600Nm to 620Nm at 5,000rpm. Meanwhile an even more marked improvement in torque occurs lower down the rev range, as pulling power rises by more than 40Nm between idle and 4,000rpm with an additional 50Nm available at 2,500rpm.

New Rapide S shaves 0.3 seconds off its 0-62 mph time, which drops from the 5.2 seconds of the current car to just 4.9 seconds for the new model. Top speed climbs to 190mph.

The new Aston Martin Rapide S will be available to order next month with prices confirmed closer to the on-sale date.

Meanwhile, last Saturday, Lancaster Aston Martin Cambridge held an exclusive drive-out event for their customers to the Norfolk village of Burnham Market.

Customers met at the showroom in Cambridge before all 15 Aston Martins set off in convoy for their destination.

"It was great fun driving in company with so many fantastic cars and also to meet other owners as well as staff from Lancasters," said Mick Meadows, an Aston Martin owner since 2007.

Lancaster Aston Martin Cambridge also supports a regional charity, East Anglia's Children's Hospices (EACH). The charity supports families and cares for children and young people with life-threatening conditions across Cambridgeshire, Essex, Norfolk and Suffolk. EACH provides care and support wherever the family wishes – in families' own homes, in the community or at one of the hospices in Ipswich, Milton and Quidenham. Due to the kind donations of customers and guests the day raised nearly £400 and introduced new supporters to EACH.

For information aboput future events please call Tim or James at Lancaster Aston Martin Cambridge on (01223) 875600.

Fun day out: Local Aston Martin owners and their travelling companions arrive at the village of Burnham Market for their first ride-out.

Stunning: The new Aston Martin Rapide S has a top speed of 190mph and a 0-60 time of 4.9 seconds.

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Dacia Duster set to hold value longest

EVER thought that buying a car with a headline-grabbing price tag only made sense in the short term? Think again!

New figures for the Dacia Duster SUV from UK residual value provider, CAP, prove that you can have your cake and eat it. Showing that as well as being one of the best value new cars, they forecast it'll also be a good buy in the long run. And it's all down to being one of the least depreciating cars on sale today.

On the back of a bulging pre-order bank (more than 2,000 if you're counting) for its Duster SUV and Sandero supermini, in true James May style, the "good news" just keeps on rolling in for this consumer champion.

The latest boost for Europe's fastest-growing car brand comes in the wake of CAP's announcement that a typical Duster will retain an impressive 34 per cent of its value after three years/60,000 miles. Or, in simple terms, save customers up to £3,260 more than plenty of the competition.

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Impressive: The basic Dacia Duster costs under £9,000 and retains 34% of its value after three years/60,000 miles.

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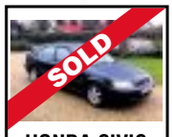

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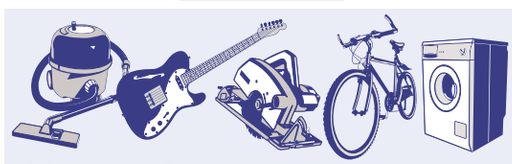

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Full time position but P/T considered.

Applications & CV in writing to Mrs H Hawes helenh@mhhp.co.uk

General Vacancies

Personal Assistant, Cambridge

Role: Personal Assistant to the Eastern Synod Moderator of the United Reformed Church and line manager to the staff of a small office (4.2 FTE).

Job Type: Permanent

Pay: £23,000 - £25,000 per annum for 35 hours per week

Work pattern: 5 day week - 9 am to 4.30 pm with half-hour lunch break, (both timing and length of working day negotiable); two Saturdays a year to attend the Synod Meetings

Location: URC Synod Office in a village setting to the south west of Cambridge

Closing Date: 18th February 2013

The post-holder must have excellent judgement, organisational ability and communication skills. Initiative is needed to manage day-to-day workload with flexibility and limited supervision. Computer literacy and proficiency in Microsoft Office to advanced level will need to be demonstrated. Work is often confidential and sensitive in nature.

This role provides an excellent opportunity for a candidate with experience in a senior administrative role. It is anticipated that qualification will be to degree level, with other qualifications being considered where relevant experience is demonstrated.

Full details of the job requirements and application process are available on www.urc-eastern.org.uk/synod-employment-vacancies It is expected that interviews will take place on 1st March 2013.

Sales Co-ordinator

D S Smith Display Ely

2 Vacancies

Working within a busy Customer Services Department you will be responsible for the internal management & administration of designated customer accounts.

The successful candidates will be well organised, customer focused, with the ability to use their own Initiative & prioritise workload.

Excellent communication skills & the ability to work as part of a team are essential.

Please apply in writing, enclosing your current C.V to:

John Belcher, DS Smith Display, 55 Ely Road, Queen Adelaide, Ely, CB7 4TZ

No agencies please.

Closing Date: 15th February 2013.

Alzheimer's Society

Alzheimer's Society is the leading care and research charity for people with dementia, their families and carers. Dementia affects over 800,000 people in the UK alone and numbers continue to grow.

Dementia Support Worker

Location: Cambridge and Ely Office
Salary: £13,172 actual per annum
Hours: 25 per week – Monday to Friday
Contract type: Permanent

We are currently looking for a well motivated, organised and creative person to provide services for people with dementia and their carers. You will have excellent communication skills and an understanding of person centred approach to the needs of people with dementia. The successful applicant will have experience of face-to-face service delivery, a broad understanding of statutory and voluntary services, ensuring independence, choice and control for all those who access our services.

Dementia Adviser

Location: Cambridge and Ely Office
Salary: £18,441 actual per annum
Hours: 35 per week
Contract type: Permanent

We are currently looking for a Dementia Adviser to provide a highly responsive information and signposting support service to people with dementia as the first priority. The successful applicant will have experience of face-to-face service delivery, a broad understanding of statutory and voluntary services and good communication skills, ensuring independence, choice and control for those who access the service.

For further information please contact sue.norman@alzheimers.org.uk or telephone 01223 884031

Please visit our website for further information: www.alzheimers.org.uk/jobs and to download the Information Pack, Application Form and Equal Opportunities Monitoring Form

Closing Dates: 8th February 2013
Interview dates: 22nd February 2013

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- excellent numeracy, verbal, written and computer skills (particularly Excel), and good attention to detail
- the capacity to work flexibly and to meet deadlines

For an information pack please visit our website or contact: Maureen Jones, Villiers Park Educational Trust, Royston Road, Foxton, Cambridge, CB22 6SE e-mail: mj@villierspark.org.uk telephone: 01223 872809

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Childcare Practitioners

Harlequin Childcare are currently recruiting committed, motivated and enthusiastic individuals to join our long standing team. You will need to be qualified or willing to undertake training to qualify to NVQ Level 3 as a minimum. You will be required to work a 10 hour day for up to 4 days per week. We will consider part time and full time applications.

Harlequin Childcare is a well-respected full time children's nursery in Ely. We have established a reputation for exceptional care and development due to the dedication and professionalism of our team. We are able to offer a unique environment which will support your professional development.

If you wish to join our successful, child centred team offering outstanding childcare please contact us on jobs@harlequinchildcare.co.uk or call us on 01353 661172.

In line with the Local Safeguarding Children's Board Guidelines the successful applicant will be subject to a Disclosure and Barring Service check (DBS).

FULL/PART-TIME person required for a busy swimming pool company. Providing complete clerical support - typing up of quotes, letters and spreadsheets. Sales, including shop sales and managing on-line orders. Maintenance of stock levels and ordering of materials. Organisation of work schedules and diary management for the Managing Director. Answering telephone enquiries and liaising with the customers. For more details please phone 01954 230230

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General Vacancies

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We are a large property investment company based in Cambridge and we require a full time, experienced, gardener to tend to our portfolio of Residential & Commercial properties in and around the Cambridgeshire area.

The main responsibilities include grass cutting, hedge maintenance, weed control, pruning etc. Previous experience of maintaining similar properties is required and a spraying certificates an advantage. Full, clean driving licence essential. Company van and tools supplied.

The successful candidate must be a proactive, able to work under own initiative, highly organised, flexible and be a great communicator.

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Service Managers

£29,000 - £31,000 • Full-time (37.5 hours per week)
Highfields and St Catherine's, Cambridge – Ref: 7690
Knutsford Road, Bassingbourn – Ref: 7692

Committed to quality assurance, you will lead a team working in supported living settings, dedicated to undertaking the complex task of supporting people with learning disabilities and high support needs within their own homes.

Experience of supported living and managing satellite teams is essential, as is a demonstrable track record of working with this client group. A working knowledge of domiciliary care, REACH standards and Supporting People legislation will be matched by your confidence in liaising with local authorities on business development and managing change.

With proven supervisory and budget management experience, you will be flexible in your working hours and have excellent communication and organisational skills. Ideally, you will hold your Registered Managers Award plus an NVQ4/SVQ4 in Health & Social Care or Leadership & Management, or possess an NVQ3/SVQ3 in Health & Social Care, and be eligible to complete the Level 5 Diploma in Leadership for Health & Social Care.

As these roles involve commuting within a defined geographical area, you will hold a full driving licence and have access to a vehicle.

In return, you will receive an extensive induction programme and have the opportunity to complete a university accredited management qualification.

Team Leader

£19,188 • Full-time (37.5 hours per week)
Highfields and St Catherine's, Cambridge – Ref: 7682

Assisting the Manager, you will ensure high standards of care based on the individual needs of the people we support within the service and the local community. You will outline the clear allocation of staff duties and work with colleagues and families of people we support, in order to facilitate good standards of professional practice and plans within the service.

Ideally, you will be qualified to N/SVQ Level 3 with a willingness to work towards your Level 5 Diploma in Leadership for Health & Social Care.

Support Workers

£7.21 - £7.79 per hour • Full-time, part-time and bank
Highfields & St Catherine's, Cambridge – Ref: 7681
Knutsford Road, Bassingbourn – Ref: 7683

Working alone or as part of a team, you will provide support to people in a way that is respectful, promotes independence and enables individuals to realise their own potential. This may also include supporting individuals in accessing the community, in their own homes or in any setting their needs and choices may require. The people we support have their own cars so being a driver is essential.

All of the above positions offer excellent benefits including paid annual leave, life assurance and childcare vouchers.

For further information and the opportunity to discuss the roles, please contact Ali Dolby, Operations Manager on 07793 616659.

To apply online, scan the QR code, visit www.voyagecare.com or email voyagevacancies@voyagecare.com for an application form quoting the relevant job reference. CVs are not accepted.

Closing date: 14th February 2013.

We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of the people we support. All successful candidates will be subject to an Enhanced DBS check for Regulated Activity which will include a check against both the Barred adult and children lists. We are an equal opportunities employer.

INVESTORS IN PEOPLE

RACINGWELFARE

Help for racing's people in need

Racing Welfare is the horseracing industry's main occupational welfare charity providing advice, guidance, financial support and affordable homes to people in need who work in, or are retired from the horseracing industry.

To help fund its charitable programme, the Charity has a small but busy fundraising team, and we have two vacancies to join the department.

Fundraising Executive

Salary: circa £22.5 k depending on experience

The role will primarily be based around events, with responsibility for the coordination of events, including sourcing sponsorship, liaising with committees and working with suppliers. The post holder will be expected to use creativity and innovation to make these events a success.

The successful candidate will have excellent organisational, communication and interpersonal skills and be able to work off their own initiative as well as part of a team. Experience of the horseracing industry is preferable and a background in fundraising is desirable but not essential.

The role will be based at the Charity's head office in Newmarket, Suffolk, although evening and weekend work should be expected in order to run events throughout the UK.

Part Time Fundraising Administrative Assistant (20 hours)

Salary: £8,750

This new post is to help support the work of our fundraising team. The post holder will be required to provide administrative support to the team including filing, data entry, processing of donations, correspondence, preparing agendas and minute taking at quarterly committee meetings, as well as support for various fundraising events, including invitations, liaison with suppliers and committees and attendance at some events, which will involve some evening and weekend work.

The successful applicant will ideally be a confident administrator with excellent written and oral communication skills, be comfortable in a person facing environment, have competent computer skills, ability to work alone and as part of a team and flexible in their approach to tasks. The working time is to be agreed between the successful applicant and Racing Welfare.

If either of these opportunities sounds interesting please visit:
www.racingwelfare.co.uk/vacancies.php

Or go via the news section of the website. Here you will find a full job description and person specification for the vacancy. To apply please download and complete the application form, which can be found on the same page. Or alternatively call the Newmarket Head Office on 01638 560763 for an application pack to be mailed to you. Any queries should be directed to Melissa Martin on the same number.

Racing Welfare offers 25 days per year annual leave (pro rata for part time staff), plus Bank Holidays (pro rata for part time staff), a stakeholder pension scheme and a commitment to training and development.

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Interviews: 20th, 21st and 22nd February

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- Lead the delivery of the College's community outreach and engagement strategy including a range of practical projects
- Manage key aspects of marketing and public relations including social media
- Take responsibility for all outward facing information, events, publications and fund raising

You should have a proven track record of writing bids and securing sponsorship as well as sound project management skills together with the ability to communicate effectively at a variety of levels, acting and thinking creatively.

Our College is committed to Equal Opportunities, to safeguarding and the promotion of the welfare of children and young people. All staff are expected to share this commitment and we ensure all our recruitment and selection practices also reflect this commitment. This position is subject to an Enhanced DBS check.

Closing Date: 10am Wednesday 13 February 2013. Interview Thursday 21 February.

Please go to our website **www.impington.cambs.sch.uk** for more information and to complete an application form. **Please note we do not accept CVs.** If you require any further information please contact Susan Kay, Personnel Manager, 01223 200429 or email on skay@impington.cambs.sch.uk

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- to check, machine and carry out final inspection of cylinder blocks;
- all of the above processes are carried out using precision equipment specific to our industry and you will be required to use measuring equipment (Micrometers/Verniers) to an accuracy of 0.0001 of an inch.

The ideal candidate will have engineering or machining experience, however full in-house training will be provided for this role.

ENGINE ASSEMBLY DEPARTMENT

We require another team member in engine assembly to assemble a range of both petrol and diesel remanufactured engines. The successful candidate will be assembling 1, 2 or 4 engines simultaneously to specification.

We are seeking individuals with a keen interest/knowledge of engines either through experience in the motor trade, agricultural plant, general plant, motor sport, etc.

TURBO SUPERVISOR

A vacancy has arisen for a Turbo Supervisor within our newly formed turbo department. Duties will be:

- to supervise a team of turbo remanufacturing operatives;
- to ensure products adhere to quality standards;
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- turbo production planning;
- turbo stock control using our Sage 200 accounts system;
- to order parts and carry out general administration.

We are seeking an individual who has knowledge and experience of turbo chargers for car and light commercial vehicles. The successful candidate must have:

- knowledge in all aspects of turbo remanufacture;
- proven supervisory experience;
- excellent communication and strong organisational skills;
- possess a positive attitude and display the ability to identify solutions to problems;
- computer literacy skills.

TURBO REMANUFACTURING DEPARTMENT

We require an additional operative to join our turbo remanufacturing team.

Duties will be to strip, inspect, clean, reassemble and pick components for turbos whilst working to build plans and schedules.

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We offer competitive pay packages for all of the above roles and also provide free on site parking.

If you enjoy a busy working environment, and are excited about the prospect of joining a long established company within the aftermarket industry, then please send a cover letter and your CV to:

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13 PUBLIC NOTICES

Public Notices

LICENSING ACT 2003
Application has been made by Poets House Limited to the Licensing Authority of East Cambridgeshire District Council for a Premises Licence for the St Mary's Lodge, 40-44 St. Mary's Street, Ely. The application includes the following terms:- 1. To enable the sale of alcohol to non-residents between 07:00 hours and 01:00 hours the following morning seven days a week. 2. To enable the sale of alcohol to residents and their guests 24 hours a day seven days a week. 3. To enable the sale of alcohol for extended hours at Bank Holidays and on other limited days as specified in the application. 4. To enable Regulated Entertainment (as specified in the application) to be provided when the Premises are open for the sale of alcohol. 5. To enable the provision of late night refreshment. Full details of the Application can be viewed at the offices of the Licensing Authority at East Cambridgeshire District Council, Environmental Services & Housing, The Grange, Nutholt Lane, Ely, Cambridgeshire, CB7 4PL. A responsible authority or any other person can make written representations to the Licensing Authority at any time up to 25th February 2013 (www.eastcambs.gov.uk). It is an offence for anyone knowingly or recklessly to make a false statement in connection with a Licence Application. The maximum fine on summary conviction is £5000.00.
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ATTRACTIVE retired lady, 5ft 4ins, seeks genuine, friendly male for nights out, holidays and cosy nights in. **Tel No: 0906 500 3778 Box No: 364495**

55YR old female, hazel eyes, 5ft 8ins, slim, looking for tactile, cultured, attractive, tall soul mate with GSOH for loving relationship. **Tel No: 0906 500 3778 Box No: 391595**

OUTDOORS lady, 50, Christian, N/S, slim, fit, seeks farmer for friendship, maybe more. **Tel No: 0906 500 3778 Box No: 252102**

CORBY female young 55, brown hair, green eyes, likes animals, home maker, seeks quiet country life with handsome, solvent male/farmer. **Tel No: 0906 500 3778 Box No: 394577**

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ANGELA romantic, honest, caring, reliable, 60's, attractive, cuddly, seeking reliable, trustworthy male for friendship, maybe more. **Tel No: 0906 500 3778 Box No: 395147**

CARING genuine lonely widow, many interests, seeks genuine gent for friendship, 60-70. **Tel No: 0906 500 3778 Box No: 395285**

KAREN 49, seeks gent for friendship and outings, theatre, meals out, seaside. **Tel No: 0906 500 3778 Box No: 395257**

FEMALE likes walks, meals out, DIY, nights in, seeking male friend, 56-68. **Tel No: 0906 500 3778 Box No: 395011**

TRACY mum of two, blonde, slim, attractive, tactile and very sexy for age, WLTM male 30-50yrs for ltr, single dad welcome. **Tel No: 0906 500 3778 Box No: 394665**

SALLY 27yr old Air Hostess seeking honest reliable male to join the mile high club, discreet liaisons and friendship with benefits. **Tel No: 0906 500 3778 Box No: 394655**

JOYCE 60's, looking for good, honest, caring man for friendship, maybe more. **Tel No: 0906 500 3778 Box No: 393577**

JANET retired, fair hair, likes holidays, dancing, theatre, sightseeing, walks, seeking male with similar interests for friendship. **Tel No: 0906 500 3778 Box No: 393585**

GEORGINA attractive black lady, late 40's, seeks good honest man, 40-50 for friendship, maybe more. **Tel No: 0906 500 3778 Box No: 393569**

CAROLE African, many interests, seeks male, 50-70 for friendship, maybe more. **Tel No: 0906 500 3778 Box No: 396037**

JO 41, blonde, slim, 5ft 2ins, genuine, caring, loyal, seeks male for friendship, maybe LTR. **Tel No: 0906 500 3778 Box No: 393311**

MAGGIE loving, caring, kind, professional black female, 44, seeks mature male, 55-65 for friendship, nights out, conversation and maybe more. **Tel No: 0906 500 3778 Box No: 375013**

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59YR old divorced female, seeking N/S male to share life with. **Tel No: 0906 500 3778 Box No: 395977**

FEMALE likes sports, holidays, countryside, music, dancing, seeking male, 60 plus for friendship, maybe more. **Tel No: 0906 500 3778 Box No: 391607**

JO 41, 5ft 2ins, slim, blonde, genuine, caring, friendly, GSO looking for similar male. **Tel No: 0906 500 3778 Box No: 392037**

ROMANTIC honest, caring, reliable lady, 40's, attractive, cuddly, size 16-18, hazel eyes, blonde hair, seeks true gent for good times, friendship, possible LTR. **Tel No: 0906 500 3778 Box No: 392165**

SUSIE 55, N/S, slim, likes country life, animals, music, dancing and lots more, seeks farmer for LTR. **Tel No: 0906 500 3778 Box No: 373867**

MARIA slim, attractive female, GSOH, young 50, seeks male, 45-50, solvent, genuine, caring for friendship/romance. **Tel No: 0906 500 3778 Box No: 394727**

SALLY tall, attractive brunette, GSOH, N/S, young 50, seeks genuine male for friendship and romance. **Tel No: 0906 500 3778 Box No: 394725**

SLIM 50's, blonde lady, N/S, likes antiques, walks, music, gardening, seeking kind, happy guy 45-60 with GSOH. **Tel No: 0906 500 3778 Box No: 393957**

55YR old female, hazel eyes, slim-medium build, lovely, warm, tactile, cultured, seeks articulate, attractive, tall soul mate with GSOH. **Tel No: 0906 500 3778 Box No: 393809**

38YR old female, brown hair, hazel eyes, seeks genuine, decent man for relationship. Ipswich. **Tel No: 0906 500 3778 Box No: 366271**

ATTRACTIVE cuddly, curvy, caring, sincere lady, 40's, GSOH, outgoing, homely, seeks sincere gent, N/S, 45 plus for LTR. **Tel No: 0906 500 3778 Box No: 346059**

DEBBIE 50, 5ft 1ins, slim, red/brown hair, olive skin, seeks professional male, 50-60 with GSOH for fun and laughter. **Tel No: 0906 500 3778 Box No: 342095**

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JOANNE can you please call, you left a message on 21st August but no phone number. **Tel No: 0906 500 3778 Box No: 395903**

CHRIS 65, widower, likes dancing, walks, nights out, seeks caring, kind, loving female. **Tel No: 0906 500 3778 Box No: 395875**

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» Martial arts

Ely students make grade

Success story: Students of the Mark Farnham Schools of Tae Kwon-Do, who passed their gradings CP

ELY-based students of the Mark Farnham Schools of Tae Kwon-Do have successfully taken their colour belt grading examinations. The 'gradings' are conducted by 7th and 8th dan tae kwon-do Masters from around the country, who have more than 40 years experience in the sport.

To take part in a grading a student needs to have worked for an allotted time and be up to a good standard for the grade they are taking.

Students start at white belt and work though yellow, green, blue and red belt grades until they are ready to aim for their black belts, which they take at Bristol in front of a panel of five 8th Dan examiners. It takes three to four years to get to this stage.

The Mark Farnham Schools have gradings at King's Lynn and Bury St Edmunds.

The latest session saw 140 of its students take part at all colour belt levels, including some as young as five.

There was a 100 per cent pass rate with all students gaining good grades. The Examiner was Master Paul Donnelly, 8th Dan.

Ely students to pass were: **1st Kup** – Jordan Barnes, Charlie Edwards, Jon Perring, Tim Shepherd. **3rd Kup** – Remigijus Sivickis. **4th Kup** – Finn Elcombe, Alan Harfield, Brandon Homes, Gleb Koshko, Joel Moore, Bryannie Quarrie, Bronwyn Webster. **5th Kup** – Sophie Barnes, Thomas Barreto, Jasmine Elcombe, Thomas Logan. **6th Kup** – Eleanor Willson. **7th Kup** – Max Thompson, Ryan Whitear, Steven Whitear. **8th Kup** – Sam Cavill, Cerys Easey, Oliver Gallop, Robin Gillham, Thomas Hawksley, Alexander Hendrich, Adam Ibrahim, Oliver Jaggard, Ellis Thompson, Jasmine Thompson, Matthew Willson. **9th Kup** – Nola Guy, James Homent, Madilyn Homes, Alex Lee, James Nicholls, Hanna Sikora, Michelle Thompson.

» Table tennis

Everitt and Elia notch maximums

SOHAM overcame Ely I 8-2 in Division One of the Ely & District League mainly through maximums from Tony Everitt and Andreas Elia.

A maximum for NCI's Kelvin Mitchell was the backbone of their draw at Soham Comrades II, his efforts being backed by two wins from Colin Taylor. Comrades' Tony Comiskey notched two victories.

In Division Two, Haddenham II entertained a two-man Fulbourn III but went down 6-4, while Impington I's hopes of avenging an earlier thrashing by Ellesmere ended when they again lost 8-2.

The Fulbourn V team of Simon Johnson, Phil Hague and Dave Roitman showed great determination in overcoming spirited Comrades IV 9-1.

Roitman's unpredictable style brought him an win over Martin Logan, who had looked comfortable while leading 2-1. Roitman tried the same tactics against Marc Sulman, who won in the fifth. Roitman and Hague continued their successful doubles partnership winning against Logan and Sulman.

In Division Three, Andrew Segar led Fulbourn VI at Comrades V and managed a couple of wins against Mick Wells and Chris Rule.

However, it was tough opposition for his colleagues, the inexperienced Julian Atudoise and young Zac Davey.

Mark Coles gained three wins for Comrades as they ran through the card to complete an 8-2 victory.

Newcomer Sam Mallett turned out for Elsworth II against Fulbourn VII. Only Bill Knibbs stood in Fulbourn's way at first as Rob Powell, Carl Woolf and Duncan Gates all squeezed out wins in the fifth. However, Mallett confounded Powell with his spin variations and Knibbs completed his hat-trick before Mallett and Rich Smart took the doubles against Powell and Gates to secure the draw.

» **Football:** Round-up of the latest news from the Unwin Ground and Julius Martin Lane

City are ditched by King

Oi, referee: Ely City's Richard Chadwick goes down under the challenge of a Spalding United defender. Picture: Keith Heppell SPO 890557

TWO goals from Spalding's Gary King knocked Ely out of the FA Vase on Tuesday.

City had taken the lead in the fourth round tie with Austin Diaper's early goal but King's penalty in the 29th minute and a neat finish moments later sealed the Robins' fate.

Ely started the game brightly and took the game to their United Counties League Premier Division opponents with Diaper firing home after 10 minutes.

An injury to Ely's Darren Coe led to him being replaced by Kenny Smith but Spalding continued to pile on the pressure.

They were rewarded in the 29th minute when Lee Canoville was brought down in the area and King slotted home the penalty.

The momentum was now with the visitors and they duly took the lead three minutes later when King raced through to score.

Ely City 1 Spalding Utd 1
FA VASE, FOURTH ROUND

Andrew Claydon had a chance to level for City but he fired well wide with just the keeper to beat.

Diaper also failed to hit the target when he had a sight of goal just before the break.

The second half produced few chances early on but Claydon almost levelled when his fierce shot was saved and Diaper had an effort cleared off the line.

Ely are in Thurlow Nunn League, Premier Division action with home matches at home to Godmanchester on Saturday (3pm) and Haverhill on Tuesday (7.45pm).

■ Soham Town Rangers, whose scheduled Ryman League, Division One North match with Waltham Forest at the weekend was postponed because of the freezing weather, are due in league action at home to Brentwood on Saturday, 3pm.

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